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THEY ALL FELL ILL WITH HIGH FEVERS.

GACHI

GACHI (CLICK)

GACHI

GACHI

I CAN'T STOP SWEATING.

I ACHE ALL OVER.

THIS IS...

COLD...

UU.

I MAY NOT MAKE IT...

COLD...

UU.

I MAY NOT MAKE IT...

NOT  
FROM  
FOOD  
POI-  
SON-  
ING.

WE CAN'T  
DIE HERE,  
THOUGH.

NOT  
FROM  
FOOD  
POI-  
SON-  
ING.

WE CAN'T  
DIE HERE,  
THOUGH.

FALIN...

...JUST BECAUSE YOU CALLED MY NAME?

DO YOU THINK I'LL FORGIVE YOU...

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DO YOU THINK I'LL FORGIVE YOU...

DIDN'T WASH MY HANDS... BUT WE'LL COOK IT, SO WHATEVER.

A CRAB(?) IN THE NIGHTMARE!?

THIS IS WEIRDLY SLIMY.

WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE BUT FOOD POISON-IIIING?

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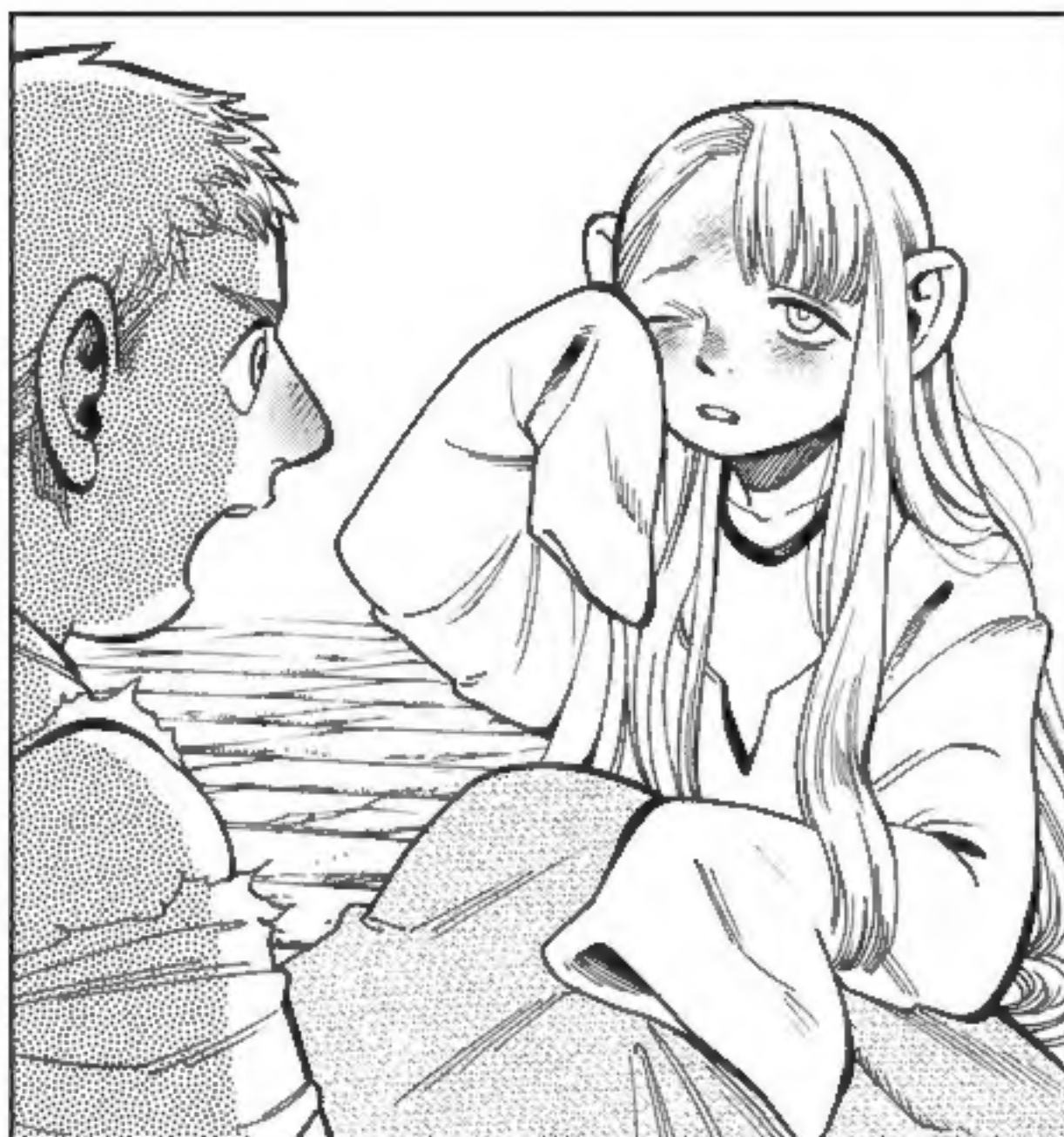
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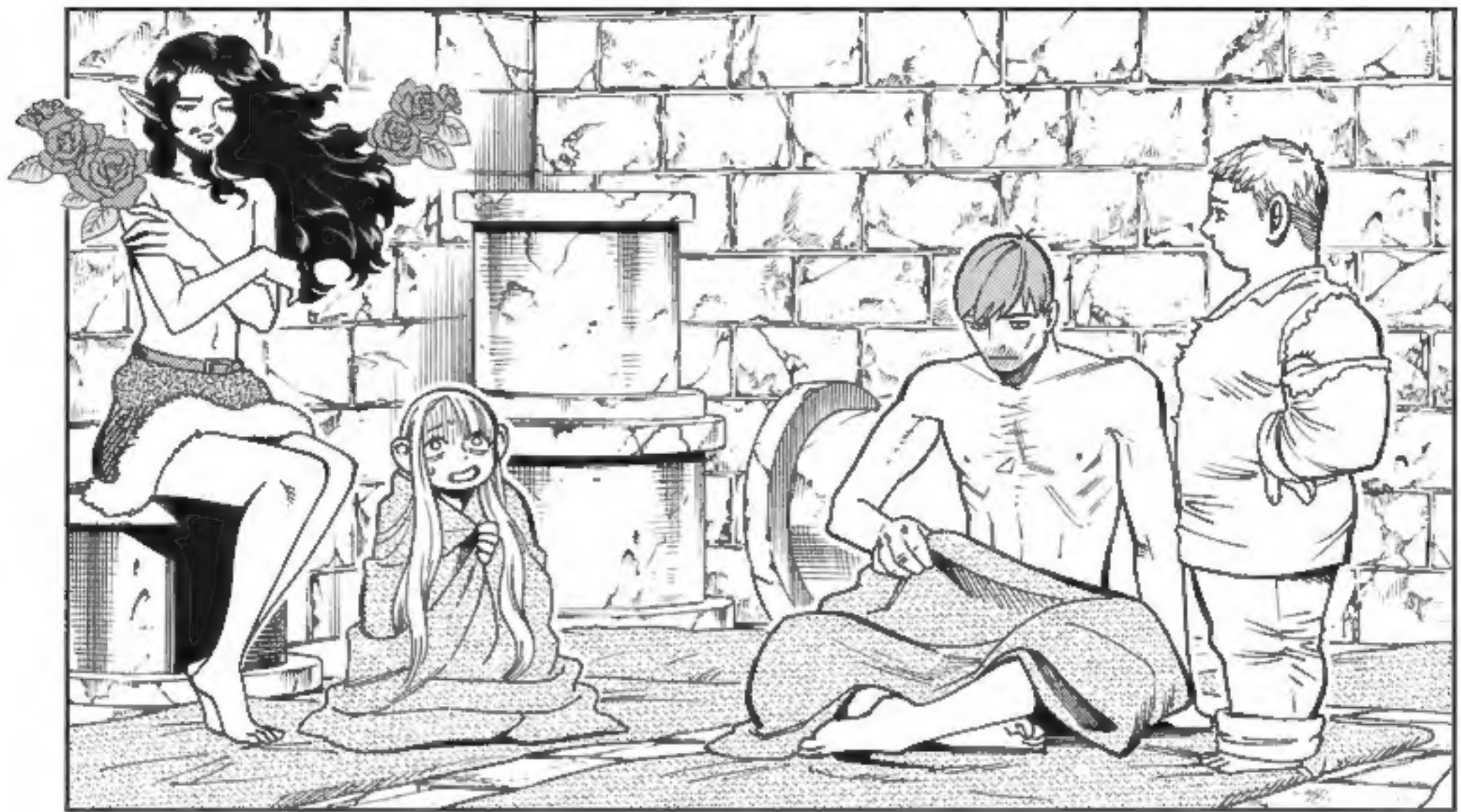






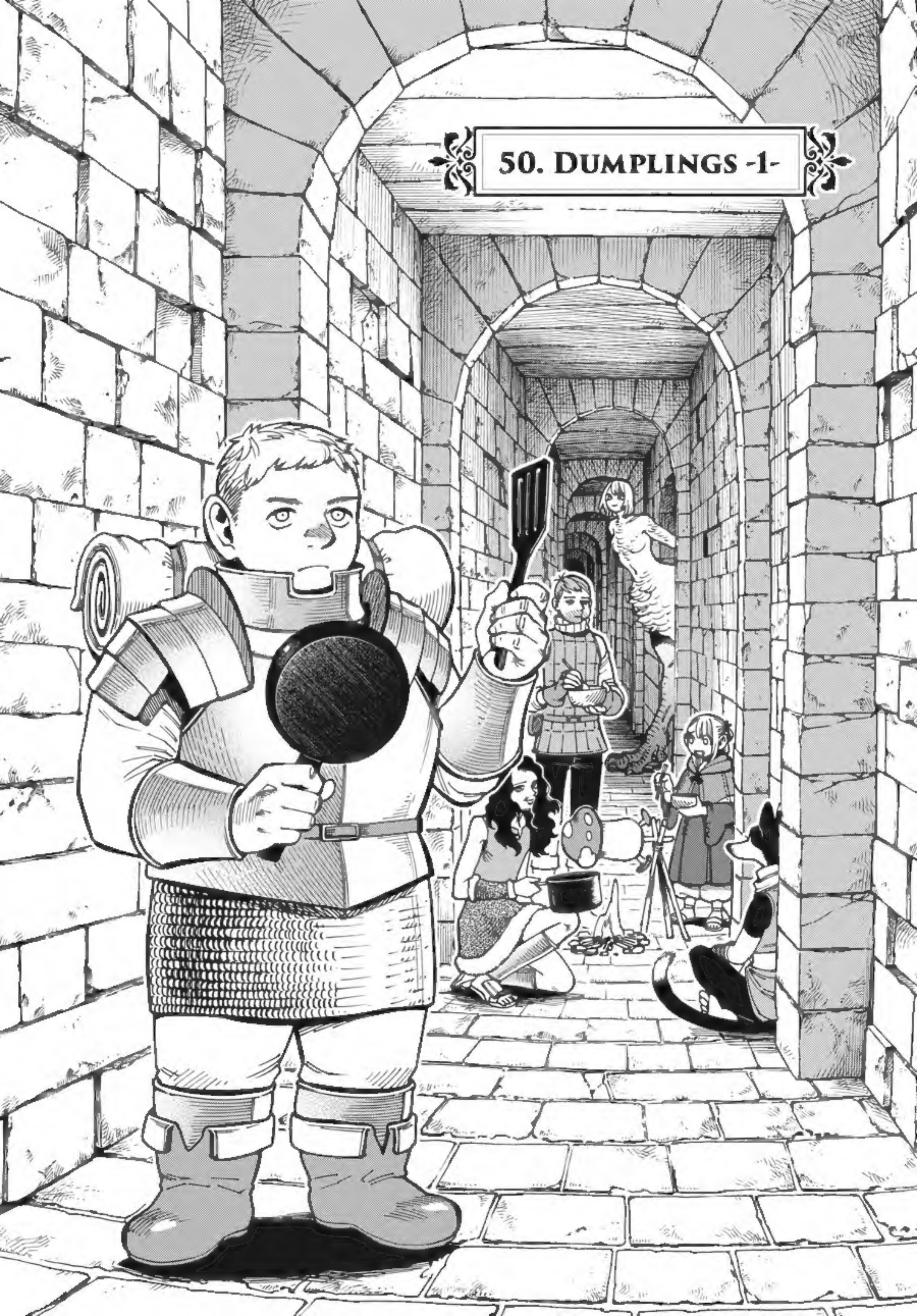




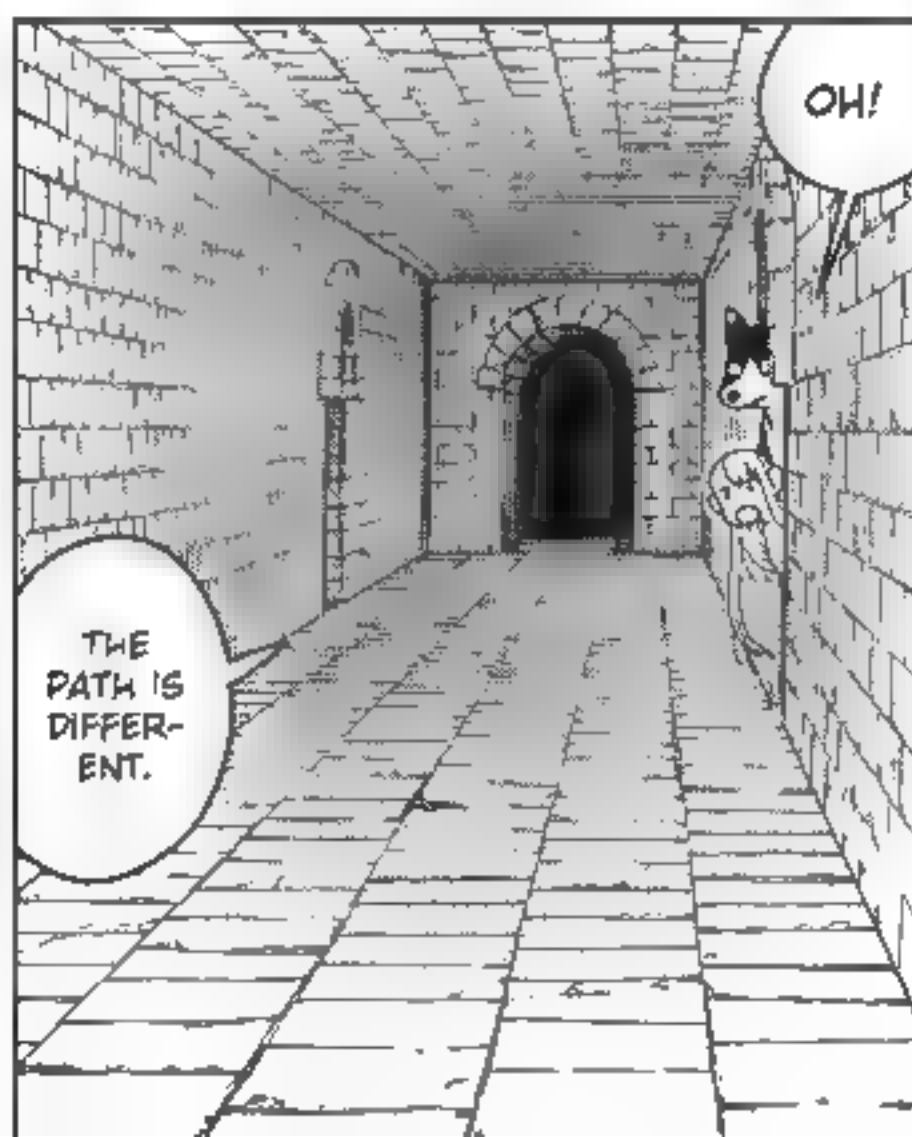




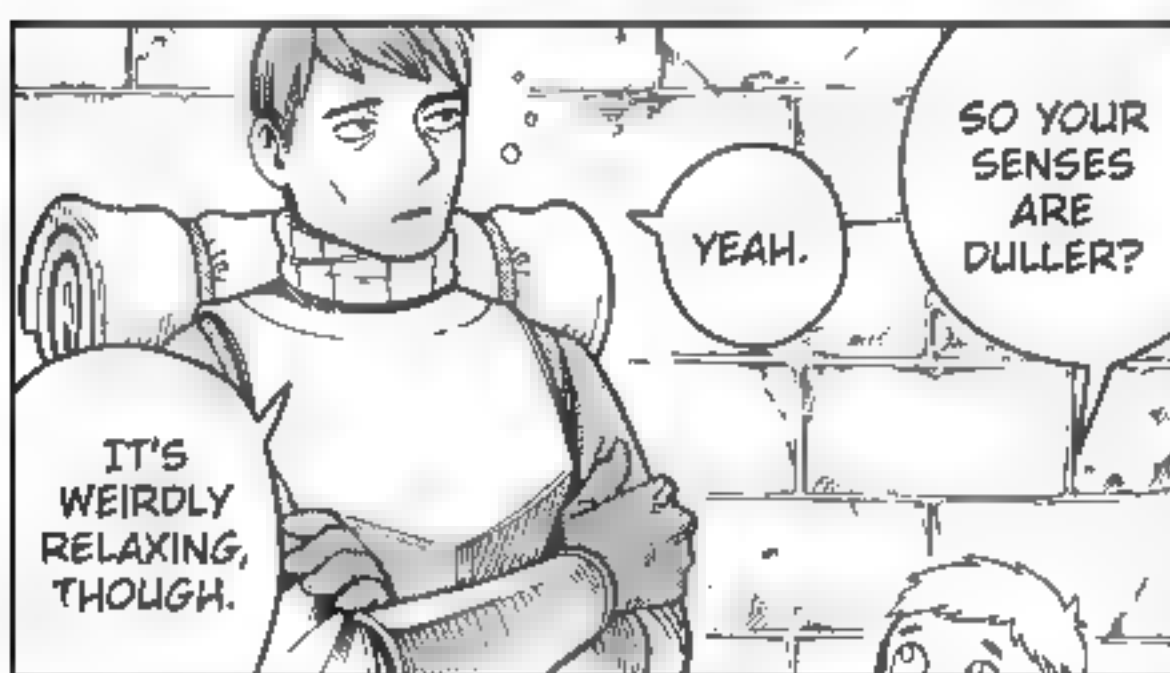
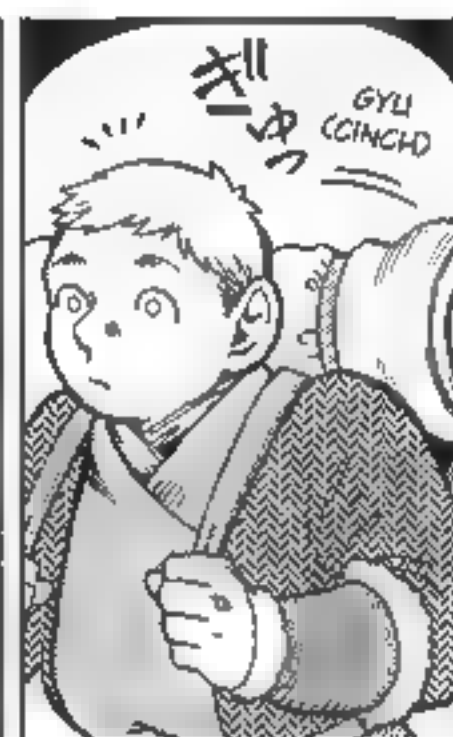
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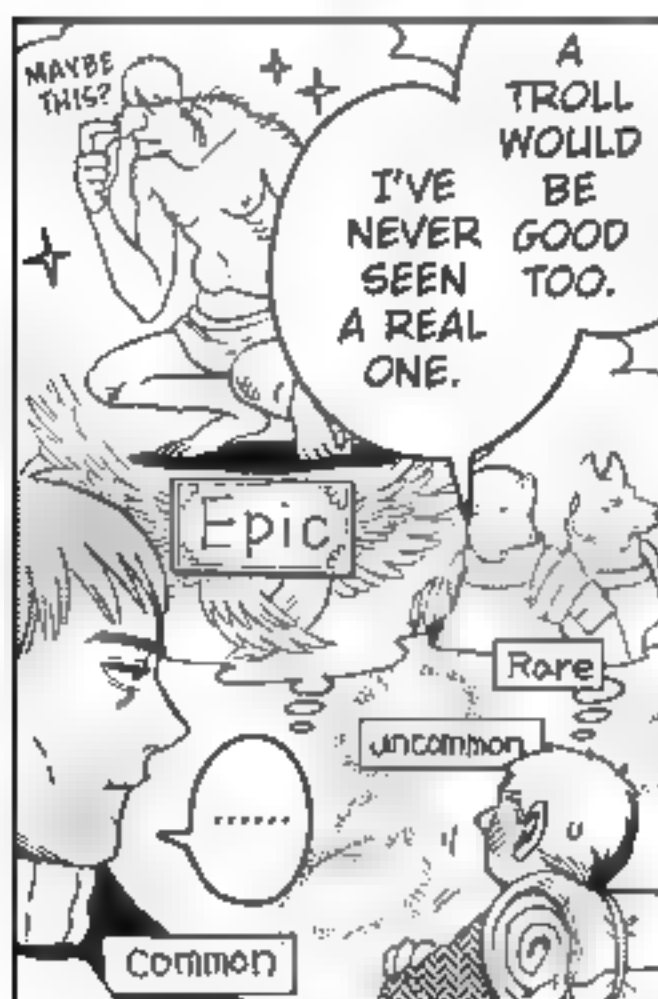
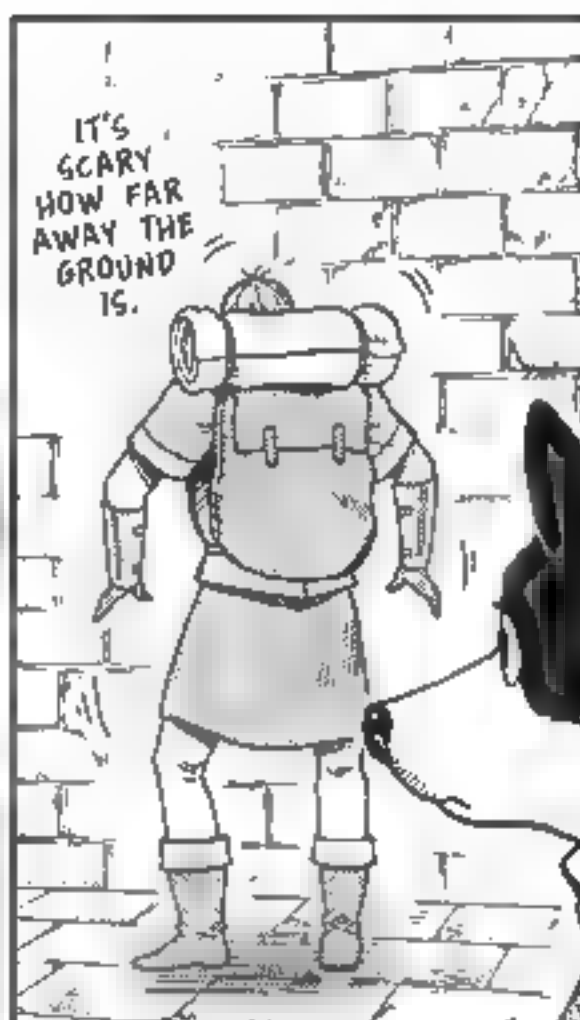




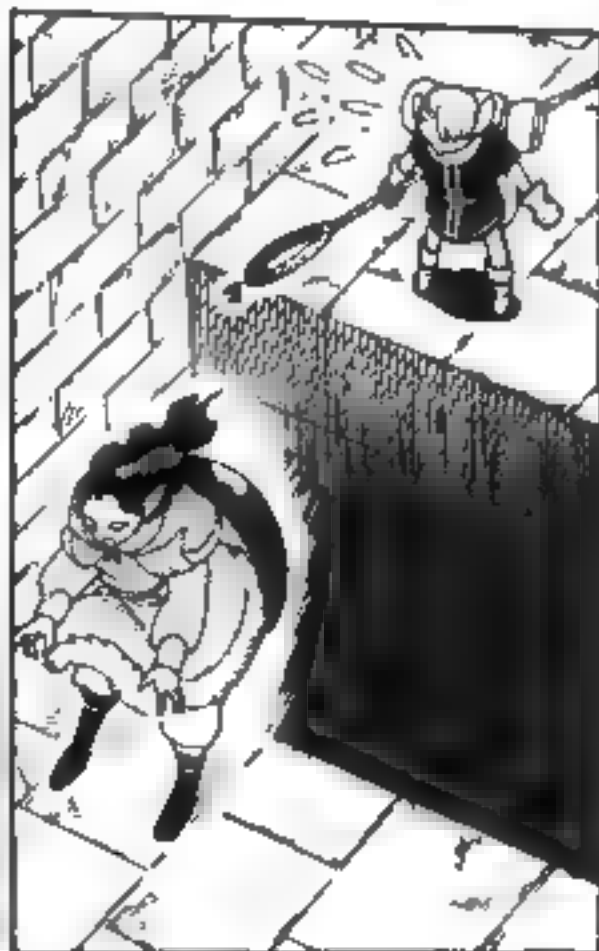
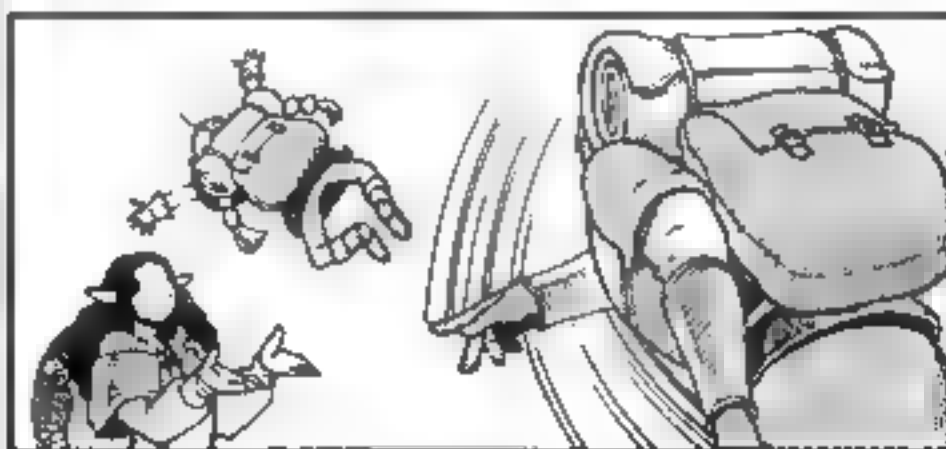
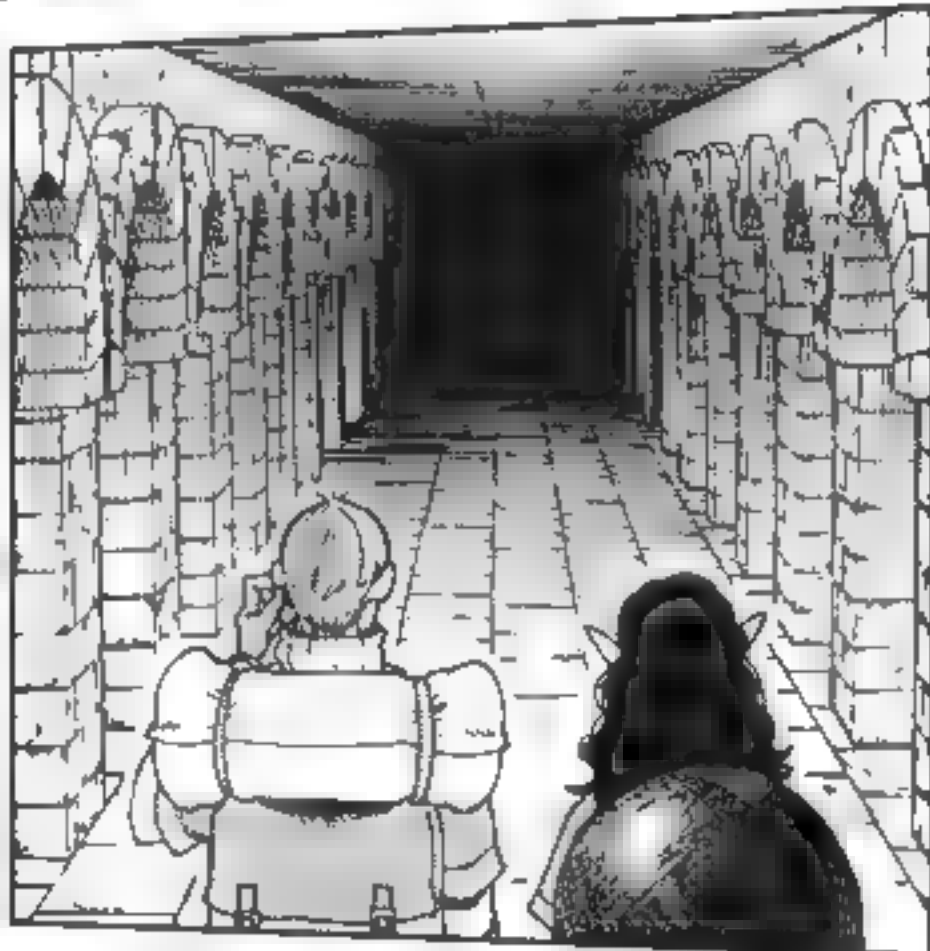
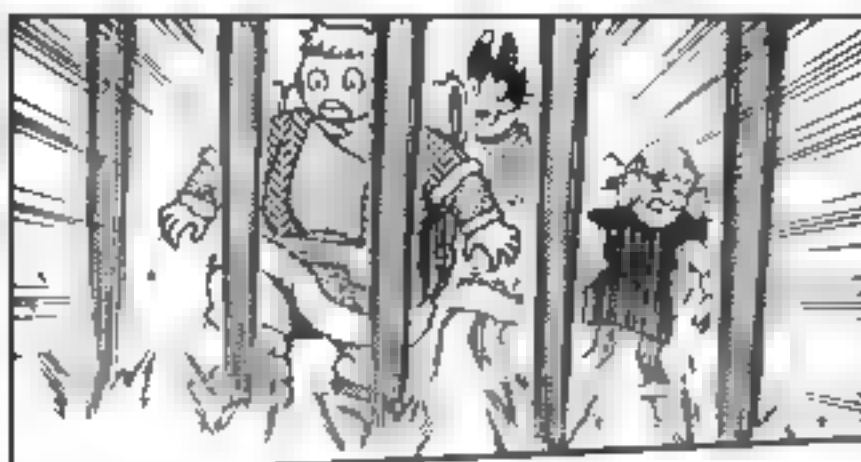
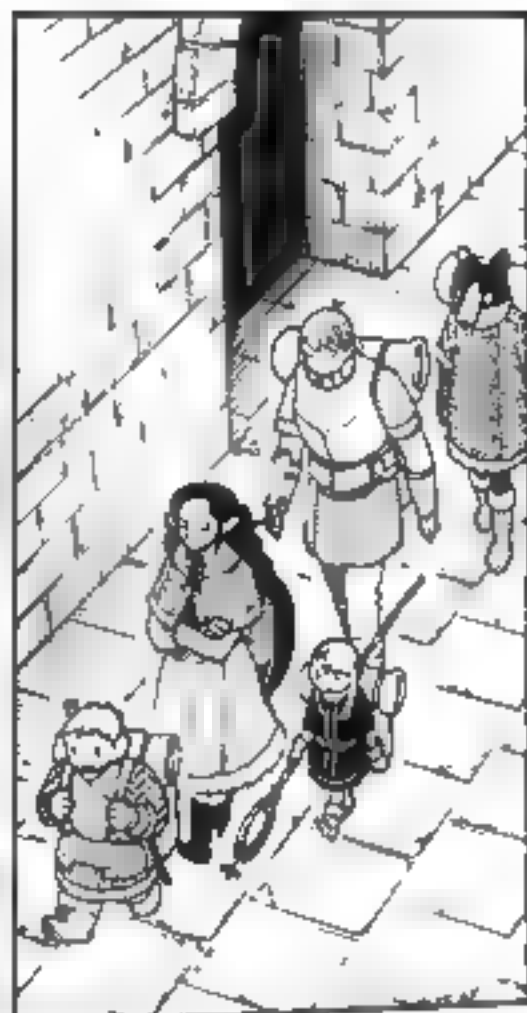








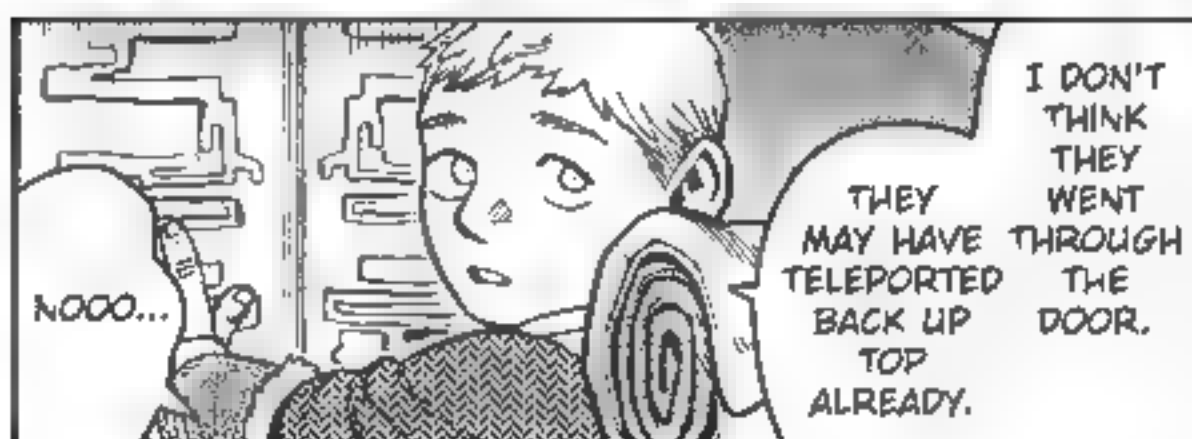
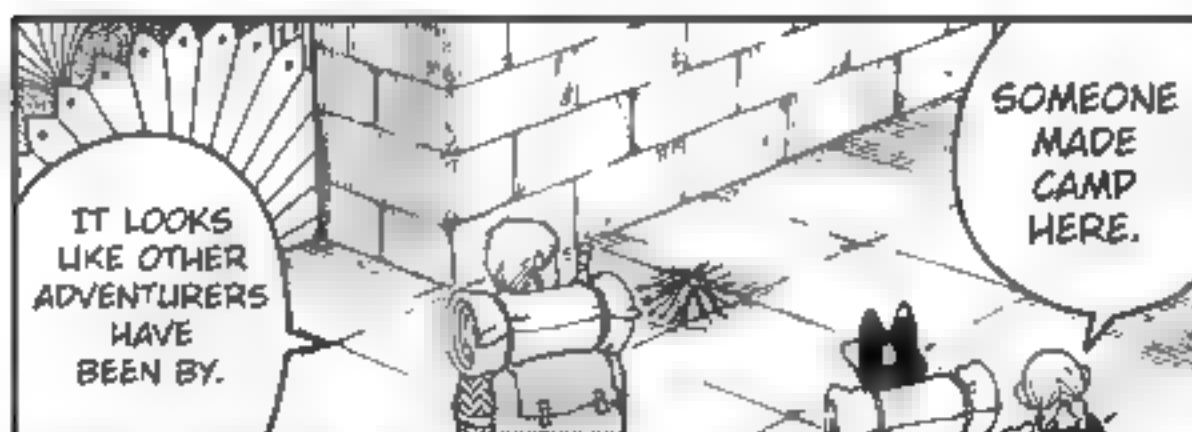
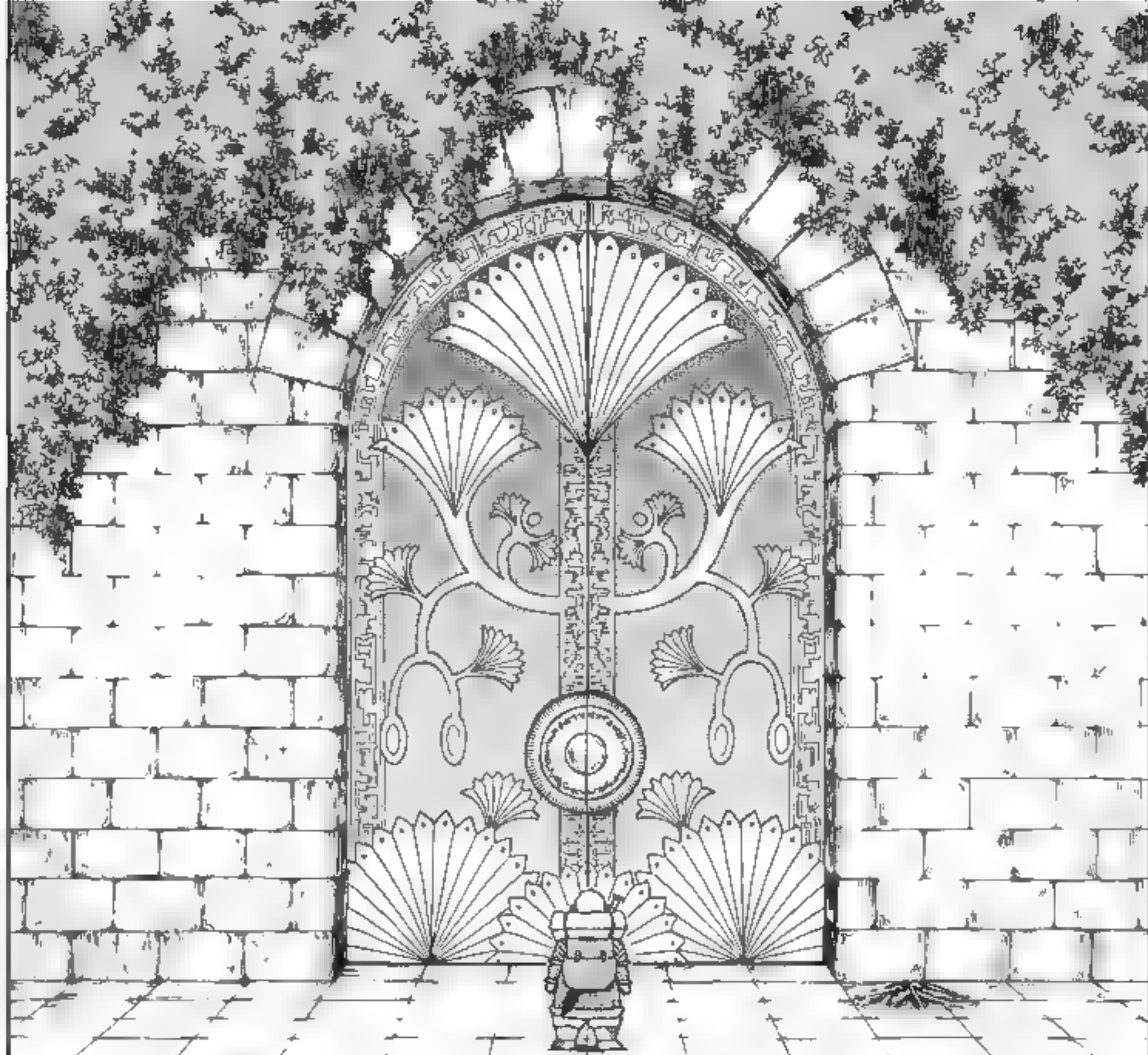








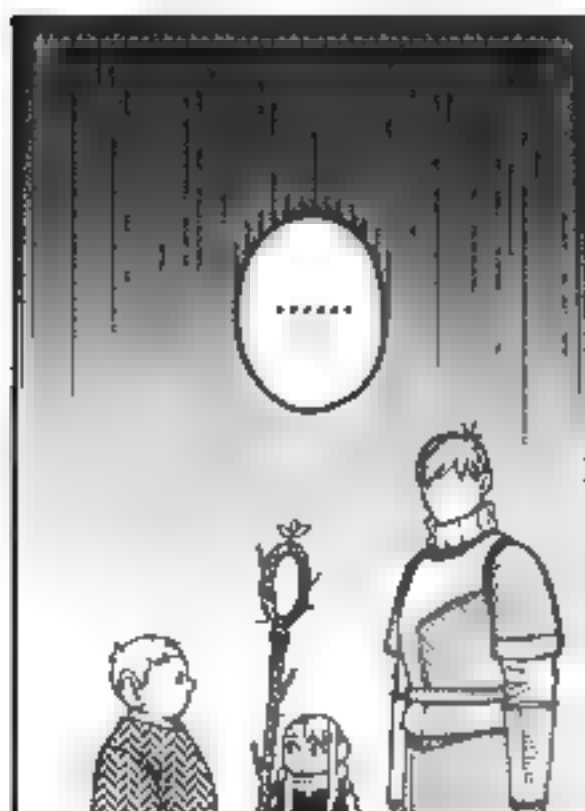




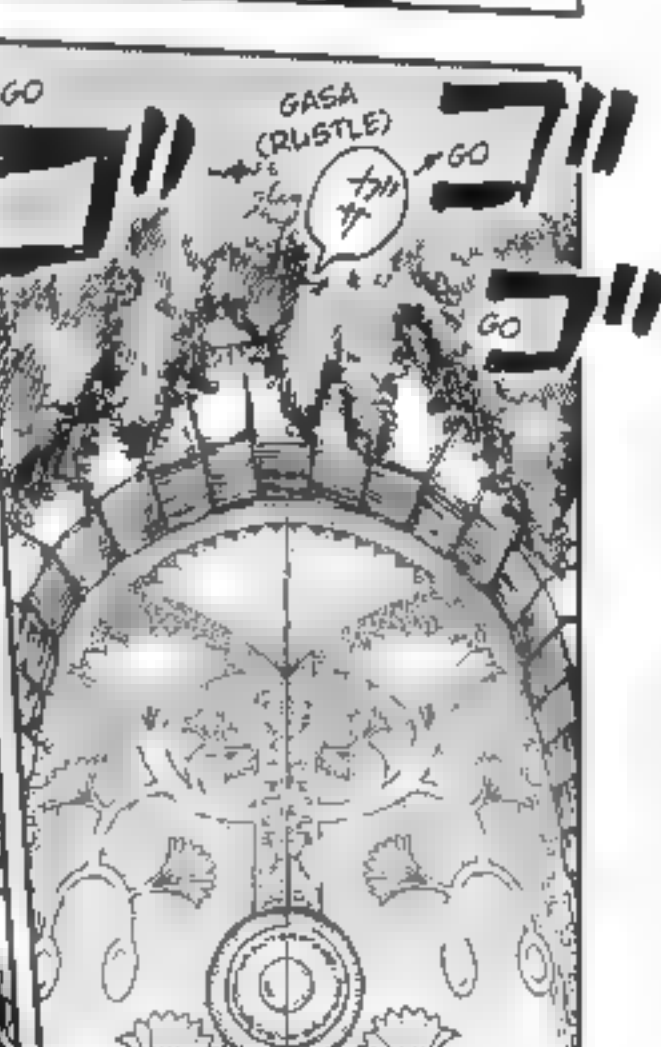
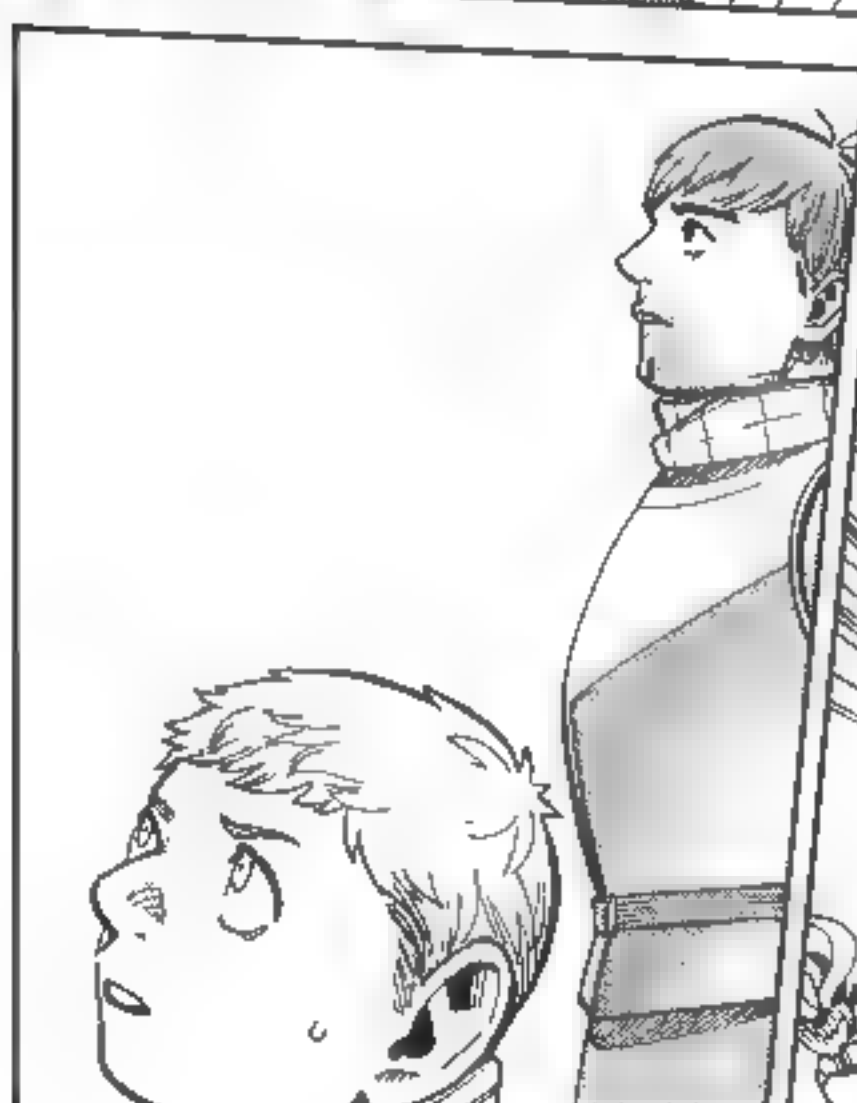
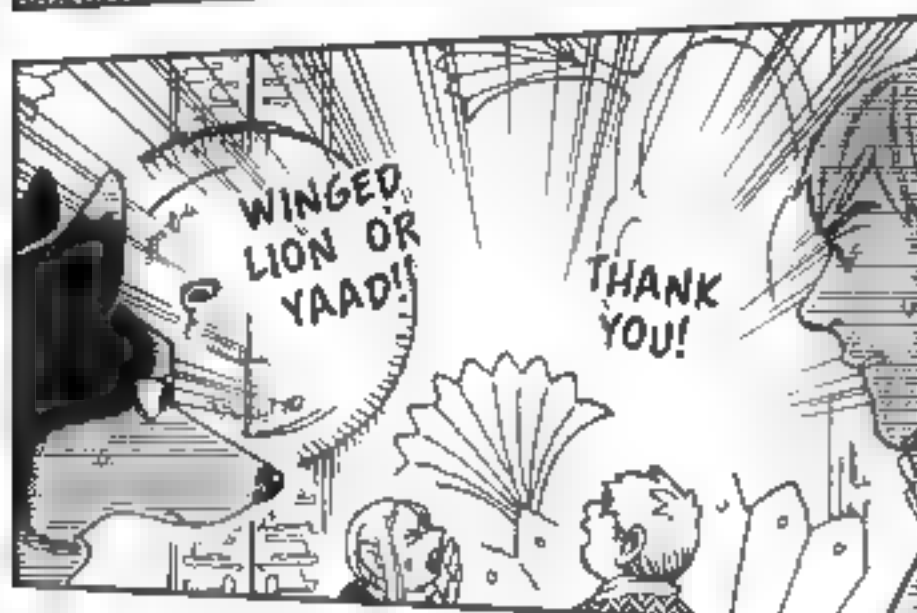
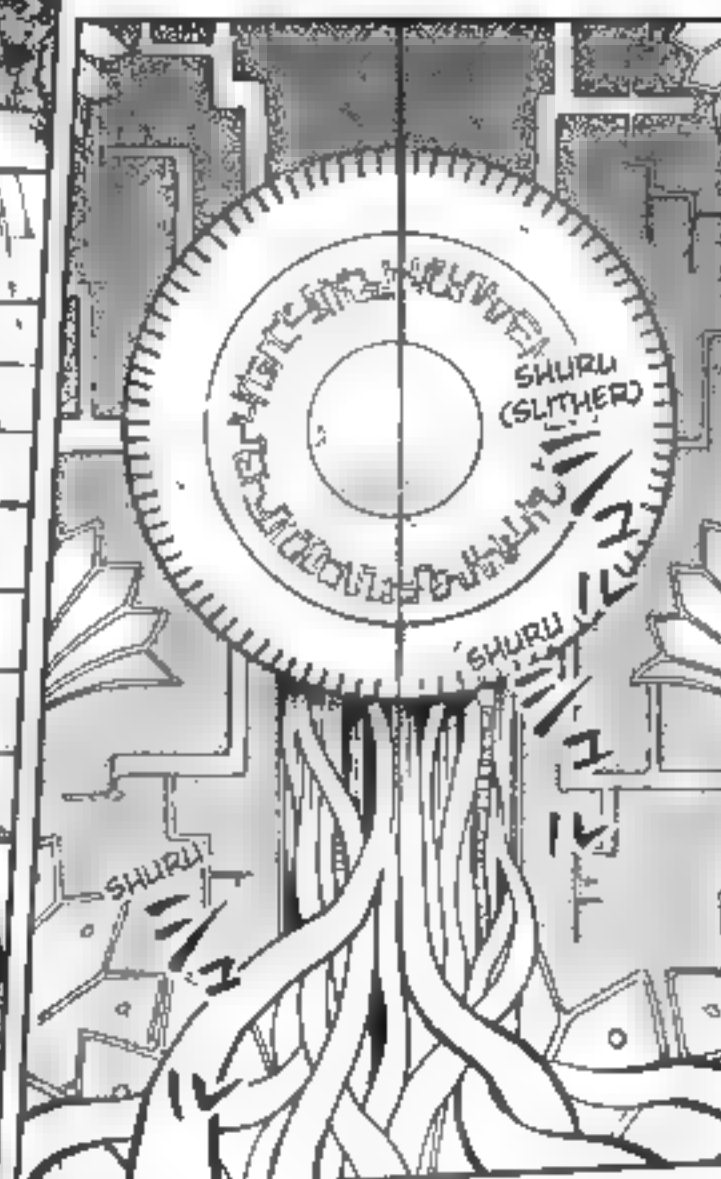
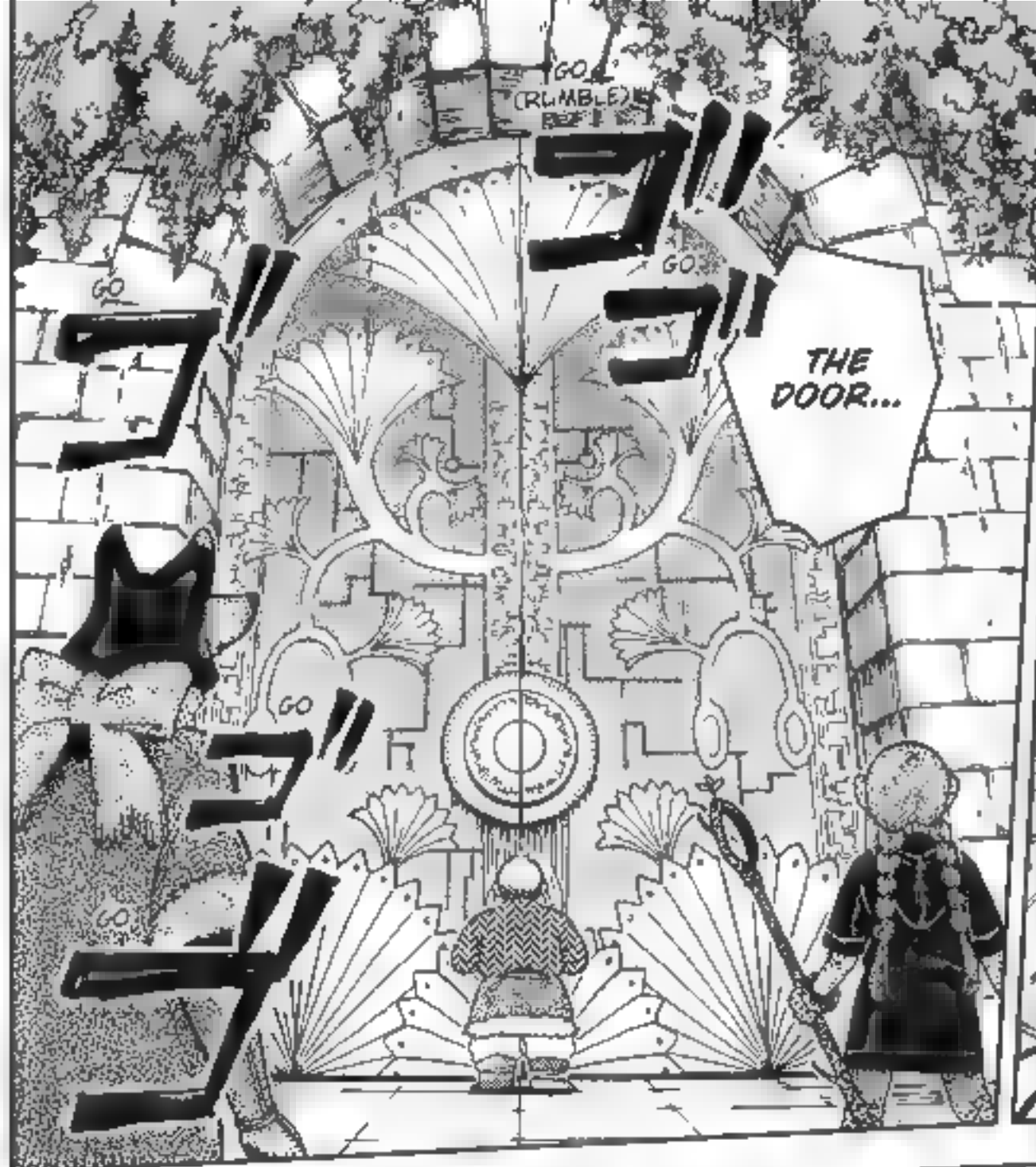




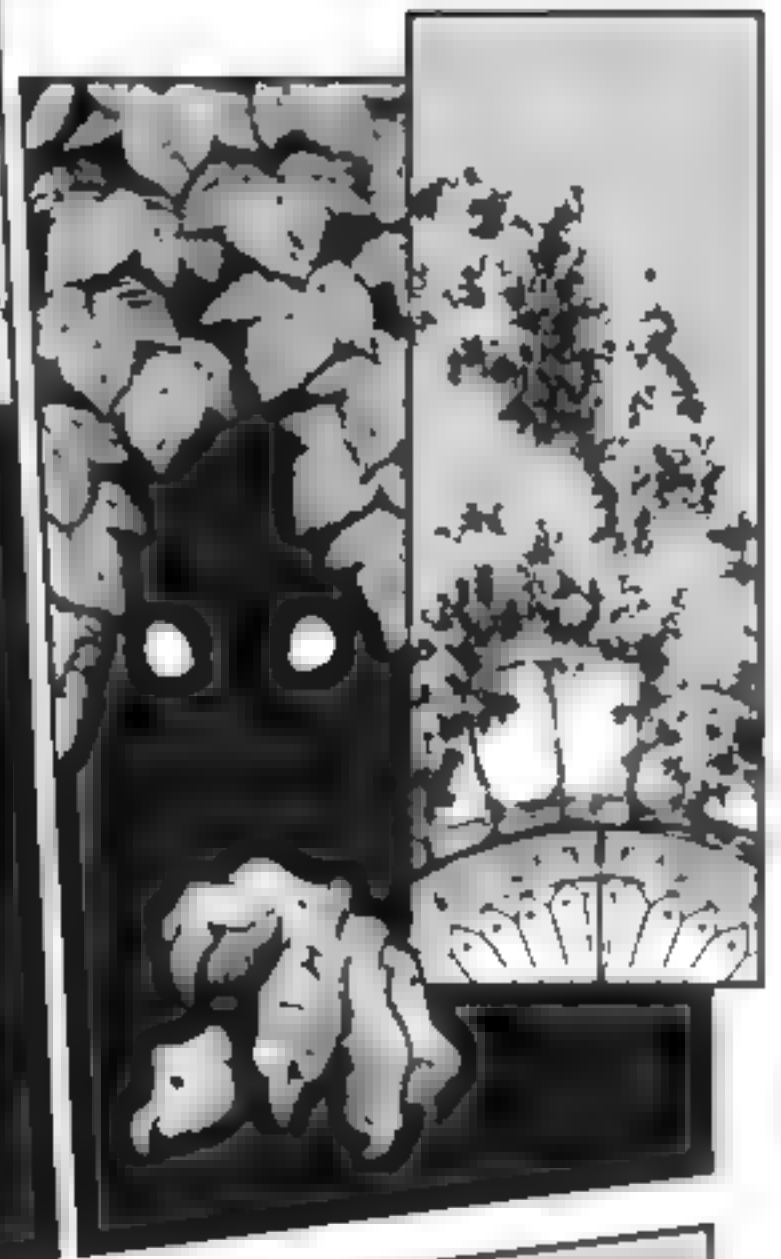




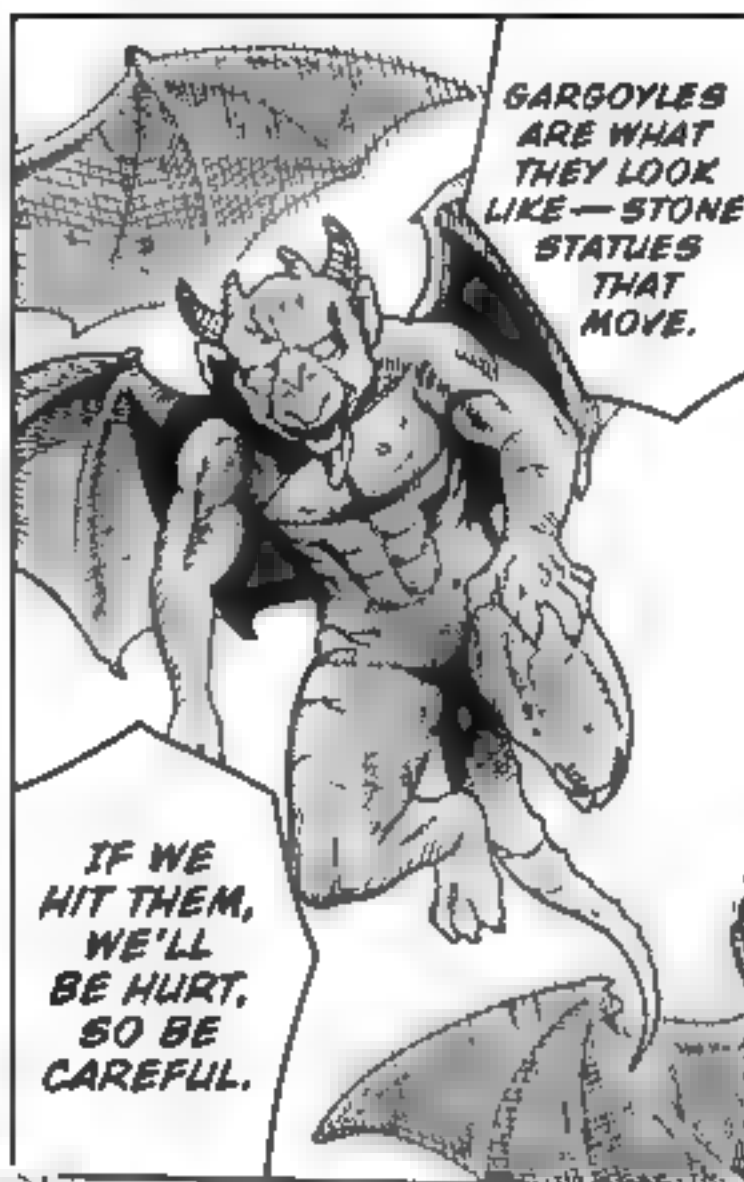




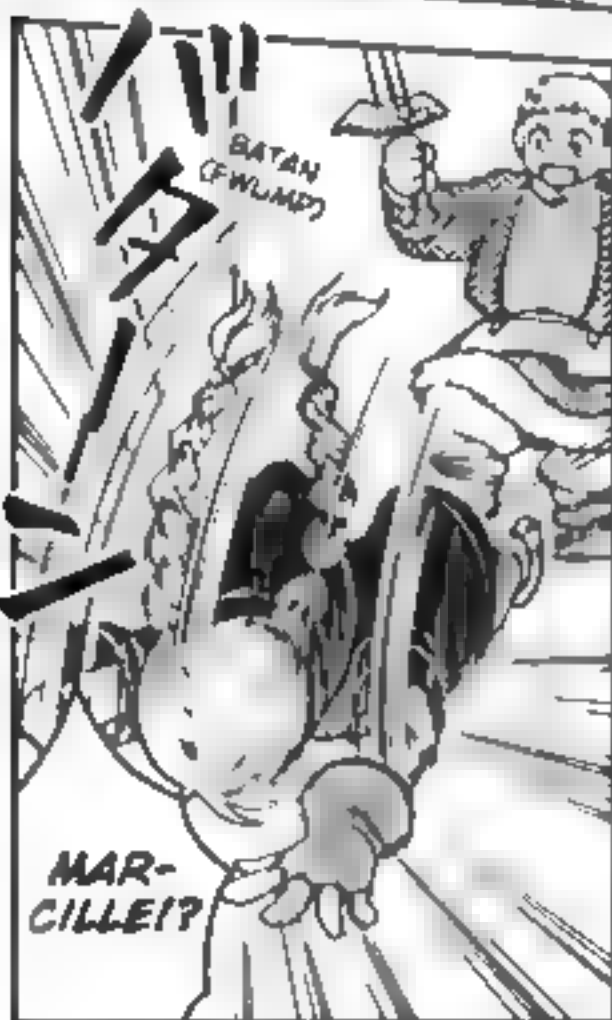
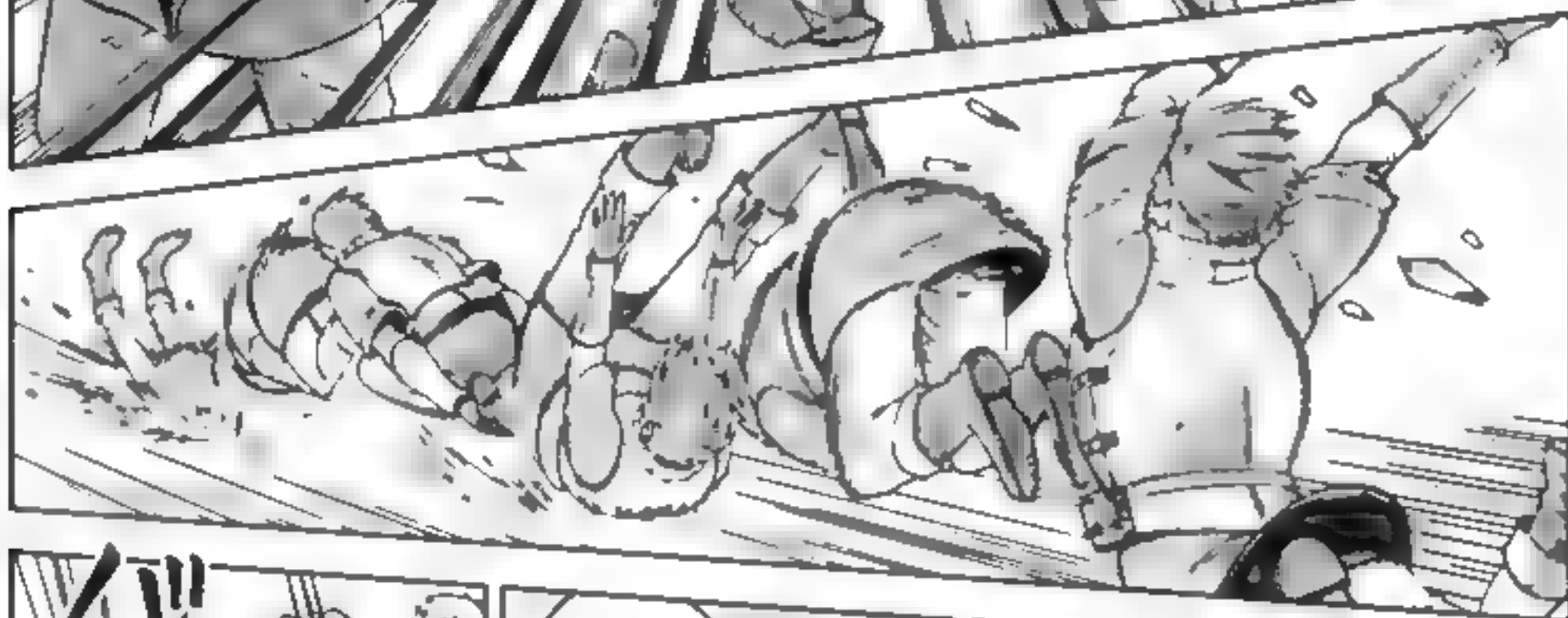


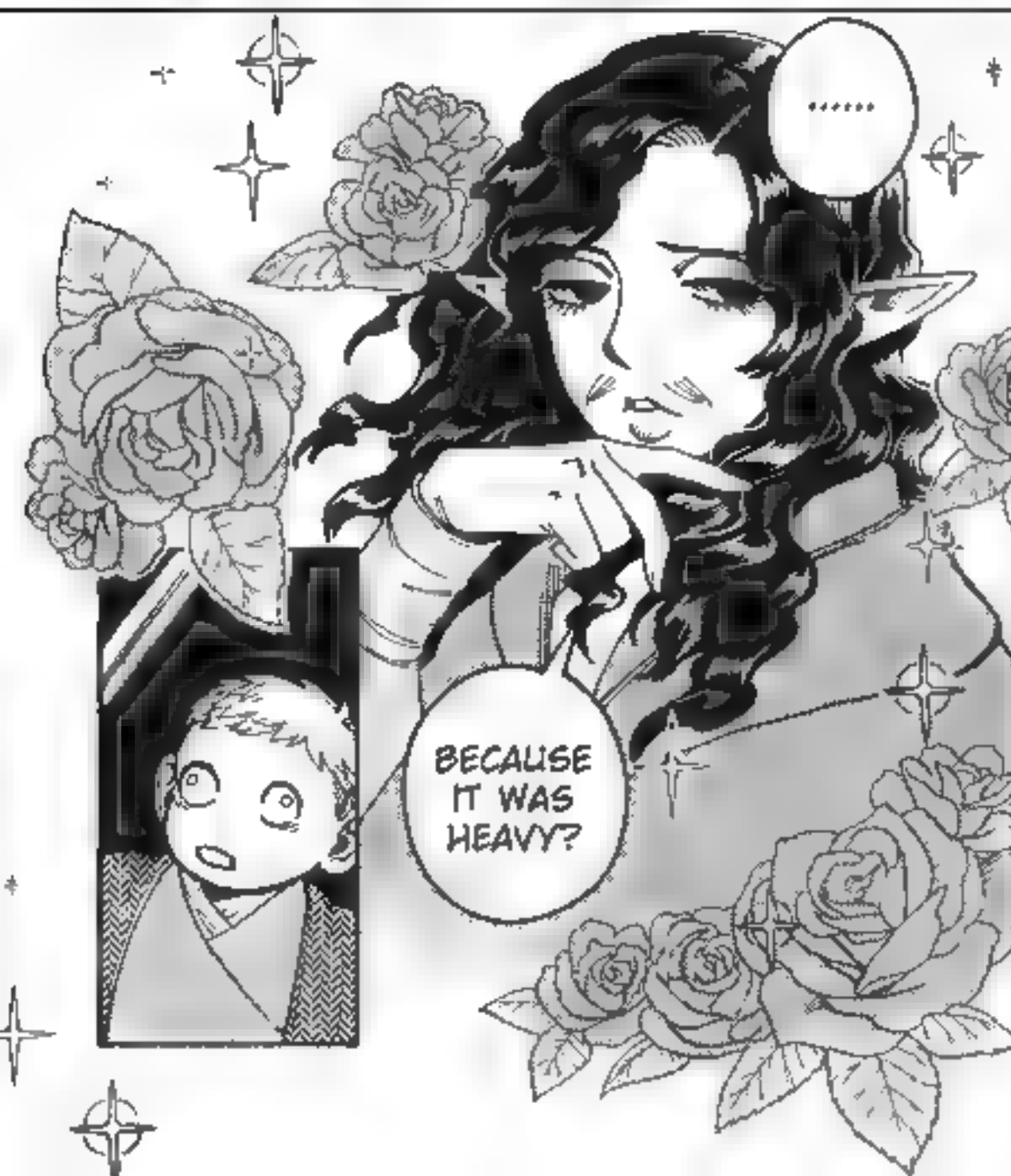
















HOW  
DO I  
PUT  
IT...?



ONLY...



LIKE  
THIS,  
I CAN  
WIN BY  
MYSELF.

THE  
SWORD  
AND  
POT ARE  
MUCH  
LIGHTER  
THAN  
USUAL.

IT'S  
ALL  
RIGHT.



YOU'RE  
NOT  
GONNA  
BUY  
IT?

AAAAH!  
FULL  
PLATE  
ARMOR  
NICE.

COME TO  
THINK OF  
IT, MOST  
DWARFS  
WEAR LIGHT  
EQUIPMENT.

IS THIS  
WHY!?

SITS  
DOWN RIGHT  
& AWAY

RIGHT?  
LEFT?

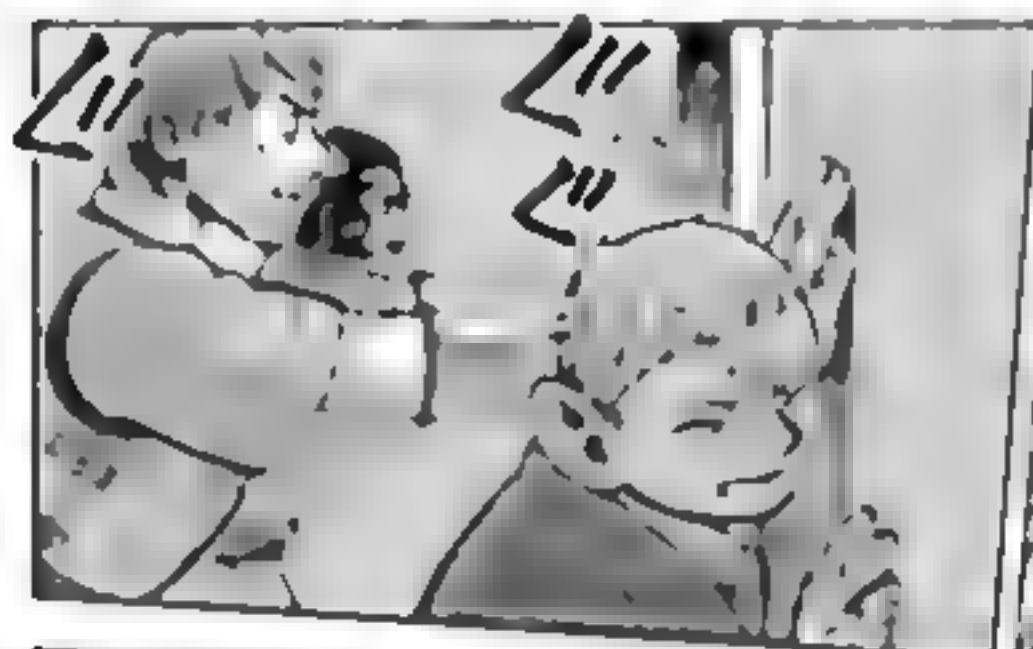
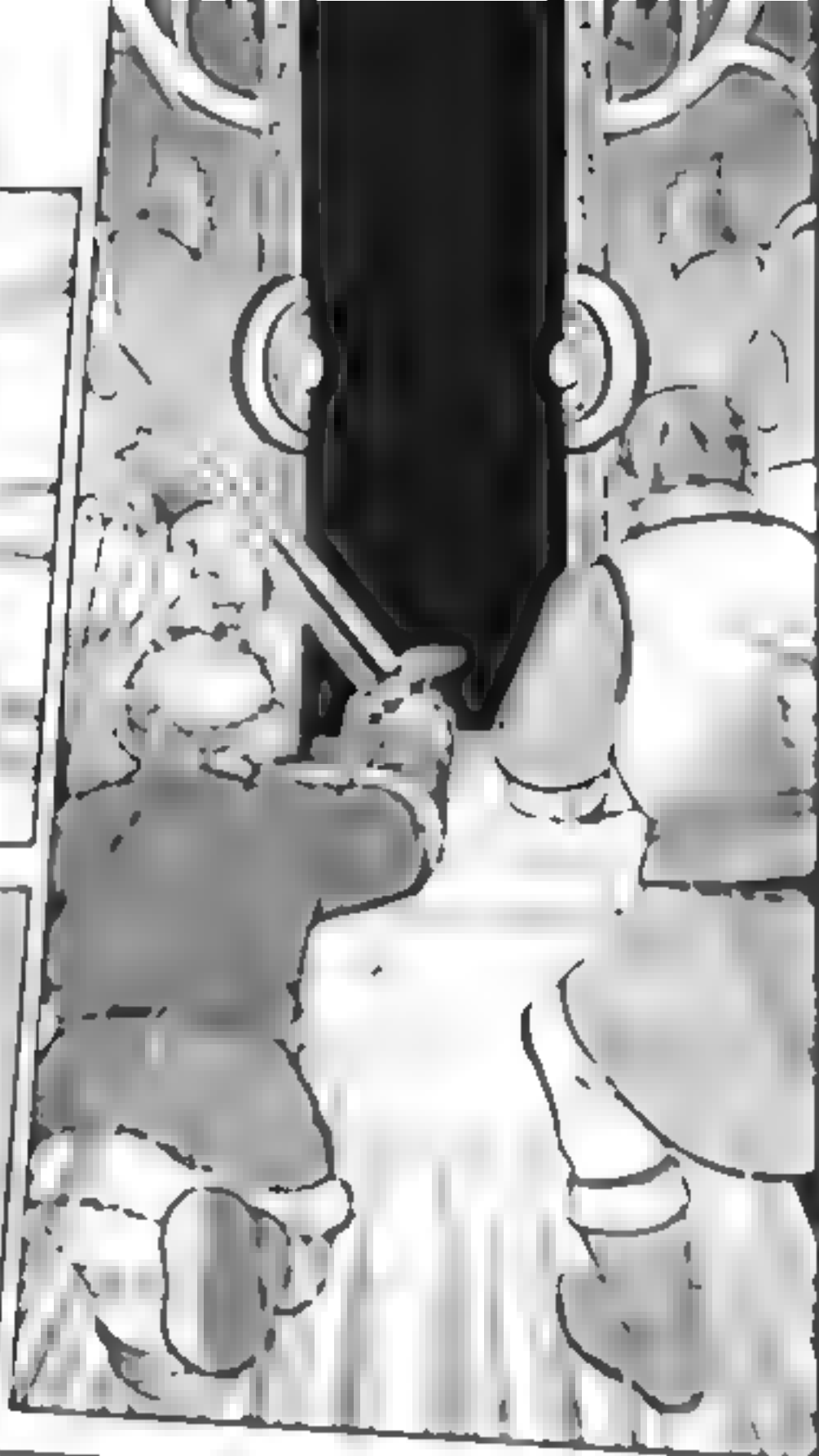


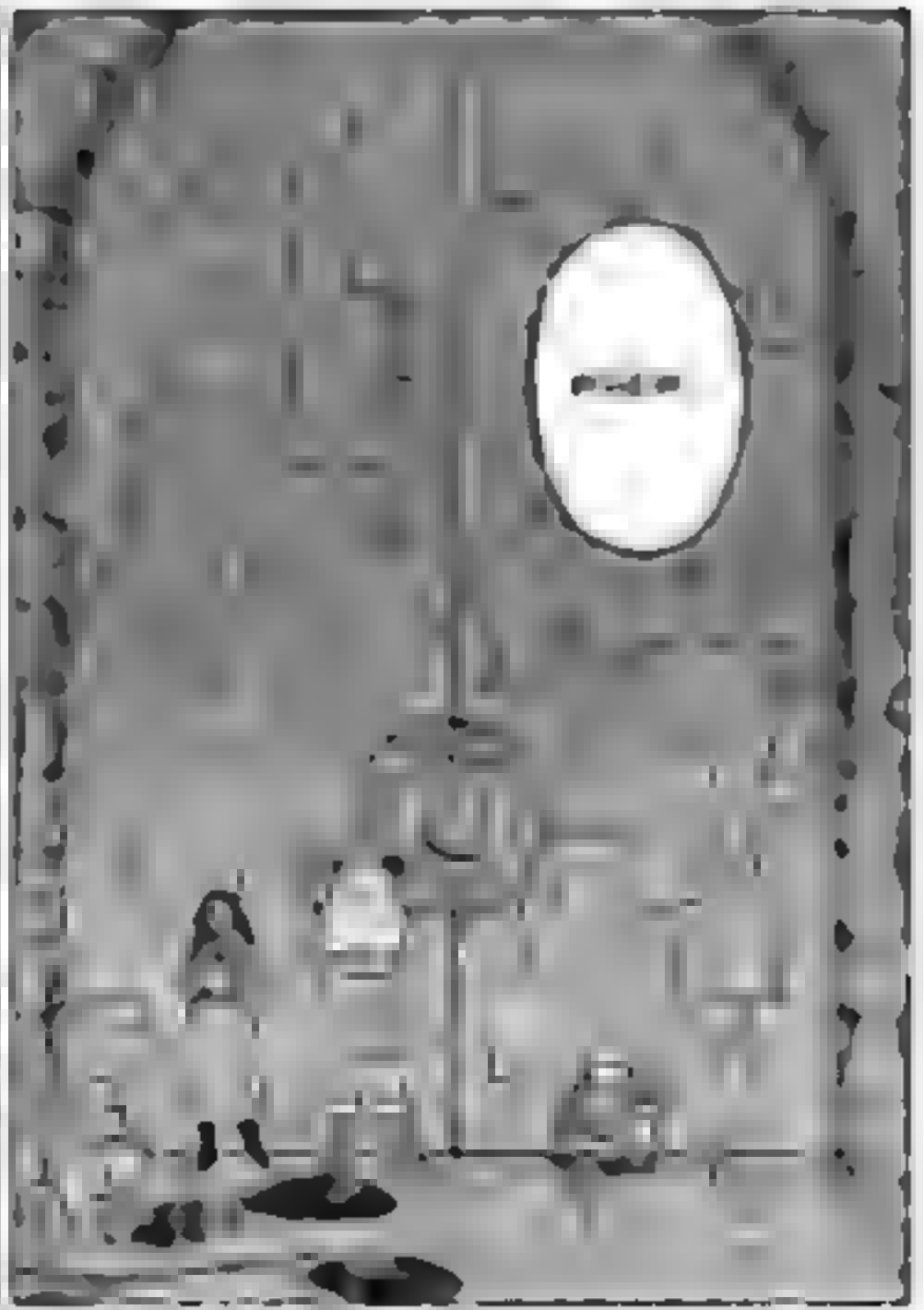
THIS  
BODY...

...GETS  
REALLY  
TIRED!!

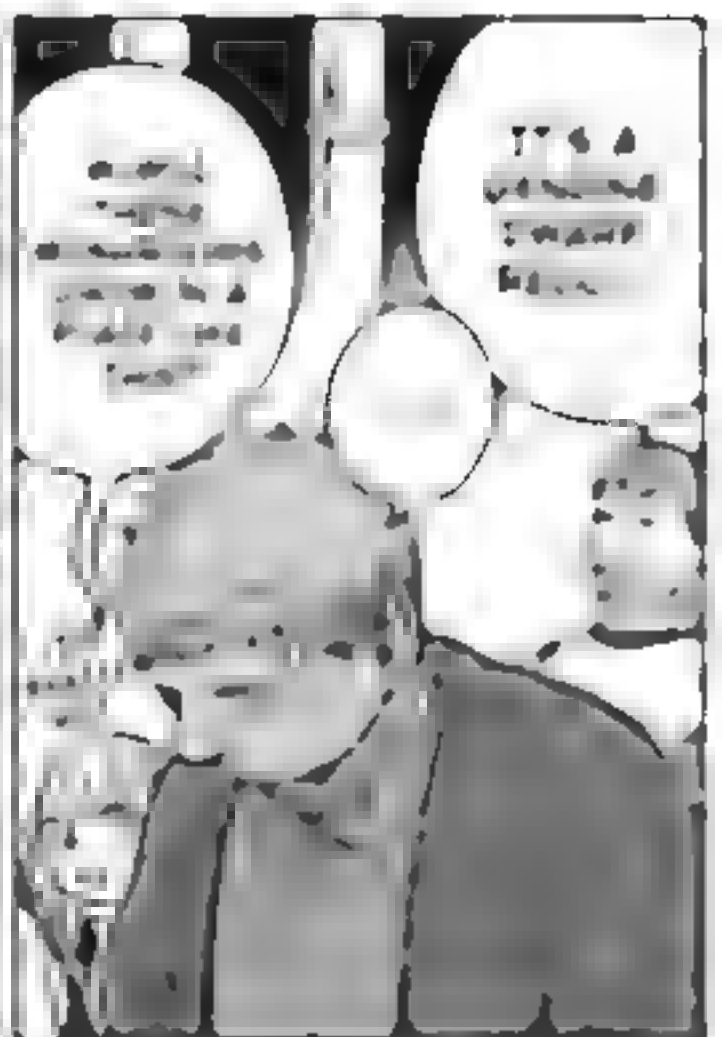
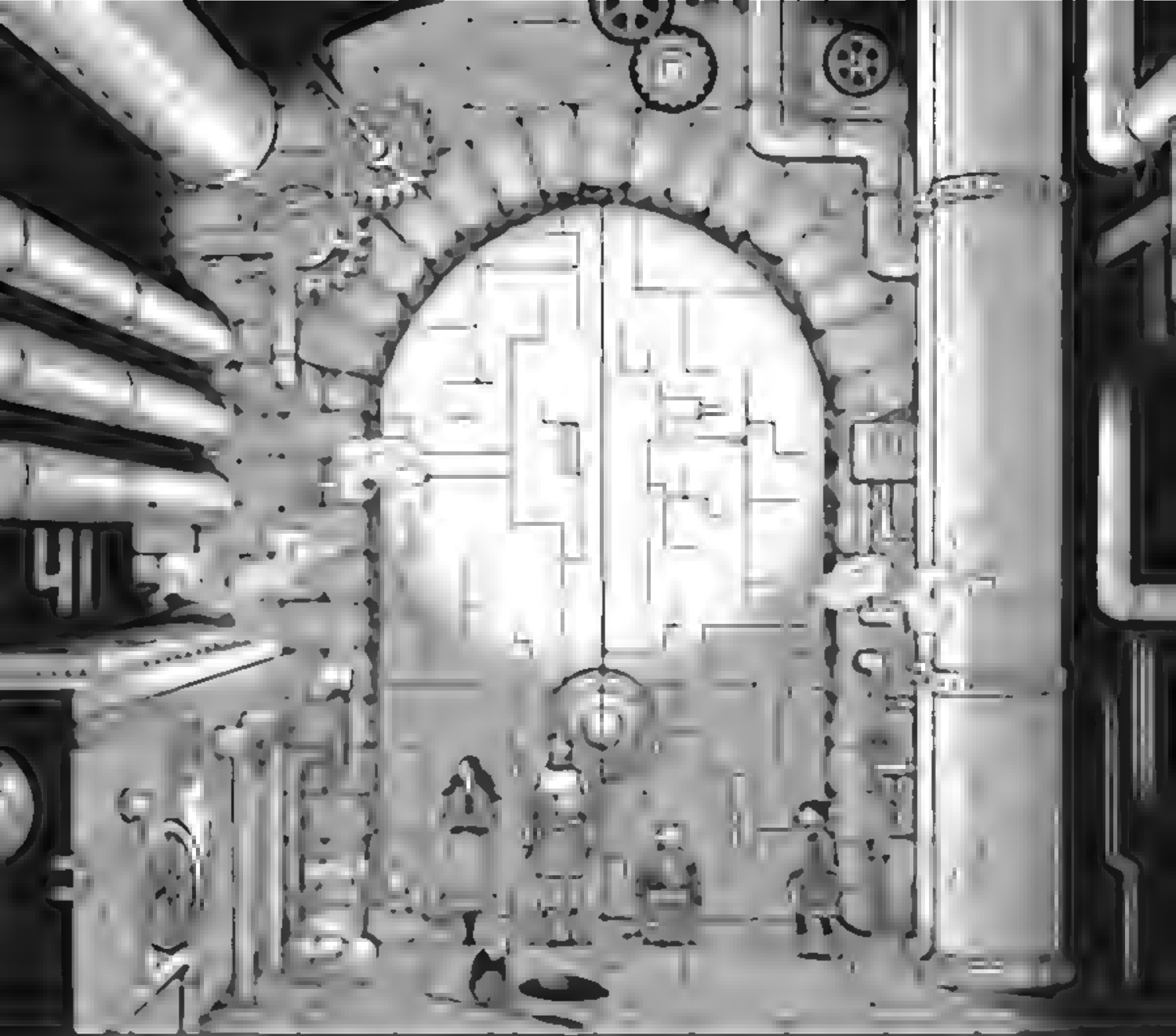


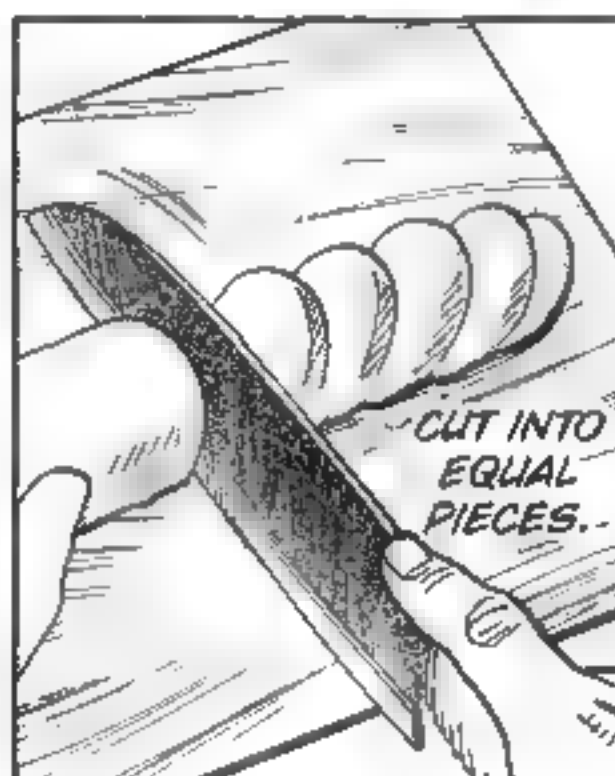
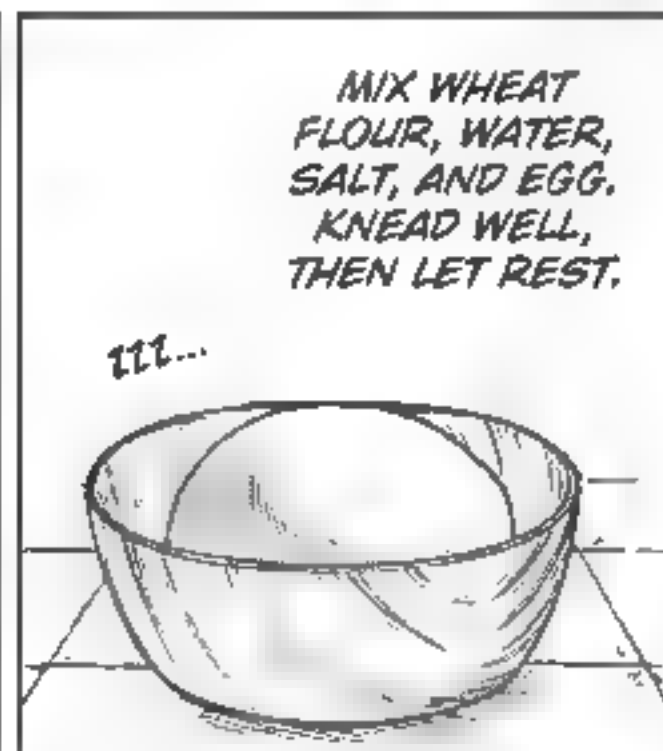


















# BOILED HIPPOGRIFF POTSTICKERS

ENERGY

VITAMIN C

VITAMIN B2

VITAMIN A

IRON

PROTEIN

FAT

CARBS

CALCIUM

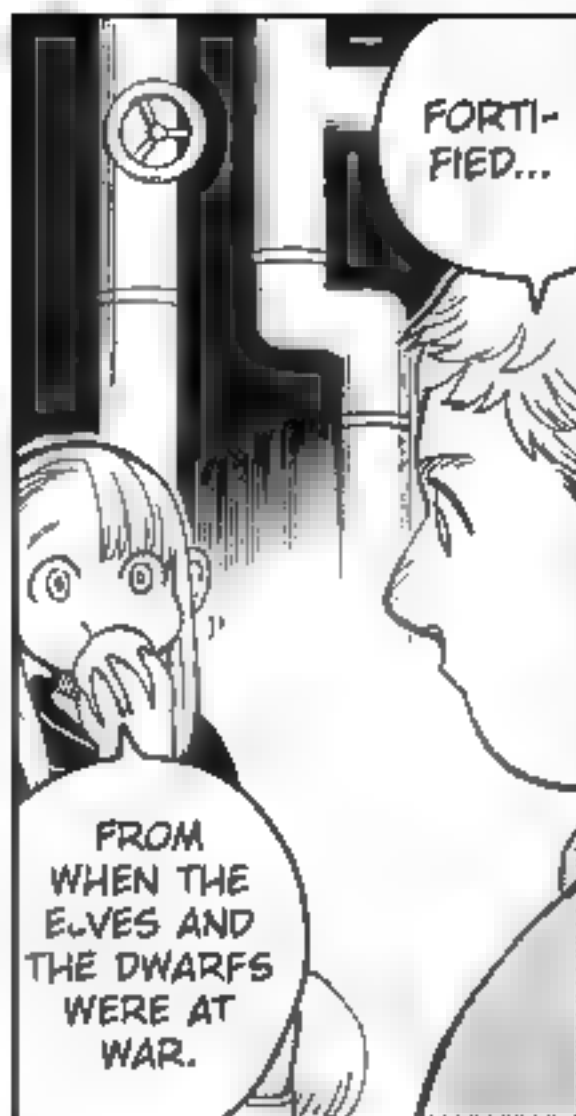
THEY'RE DONE!

**[DOUGH]**  
Ingredients  
Wheat flour — 500 g  
Water — 1 c.  
Cockatrice egg — 1  
Salt — A pinch

**[FILLING]**  
Ingredients  
Hippogriff meat — 300 g  
Onions — 2  
Carrot — 1  
Salt and pepper — To taste







FORTIFIED...

FROM WHEN THE ELVES AND THE DWARFS WERE AT WAR.



IT'S PROBABLY A FORTIFIED POSITION THE DWARFS BUILT.

YOU COME ACROSS THIS STUFF FROM TIME TO TIME.

CHUI (GULP) XAS



THAT ASIDE, THIS PLACE IS ODD.

I WONDER WHAT IT WAS.



BUT IT CAME OUT OF MY FIELD..

CONFISCATED! DANGER!

BUT I PAID FOR THAT.

...AND BOTH ELVES AND DWARFS ARE PRICKLY ABOUT TECHNOLOGY IN THE DUNGEON.

LOTS OF ELF AND DWARF RELICS STILL SLEEP IN DUNGEONS, BUT...

...THEY WORRY HISTORY WILL REPEAT ITSELF...



DIDN'T YOU LEARN ABOUT IT IN SCHOOL?

THEY COMPETED TO MAKE MORE AND MORE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY ...

...AND THEY ENDED UP CAUSING A CATASTROPHE.



YOU SAID YOUR MOM WORKED AT COURT. DON'T YOU HAVE CONNECTIONS?

TH-THAT'S...



IF WE GET IN TROUBLE WITH THE ELVES, YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, RIGHT?

HUH!? WHY ME?



YEAH, ABOUT THAT.

IT MAY ALREADY BE HAPPENING

IN THIS DUNGEON ESPECIALLY, THE CONFLICT BETWEEN RACES WAS INTENSE...

...SO WHEN THE ELVES DO STEP IN, I BET THERE'LL BE QUITE A TO-DO.





TALL-MAN

ELF

HALF-FOOT

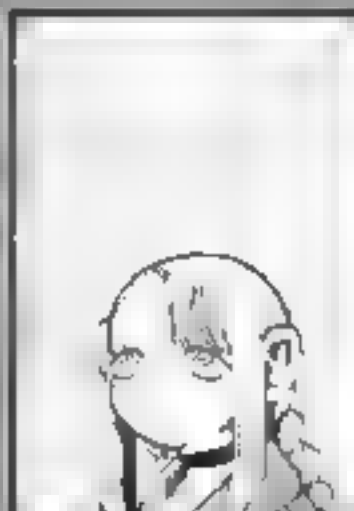
DWARF

GNOME

LAIOS



MARCILLE



CHILCHUCK



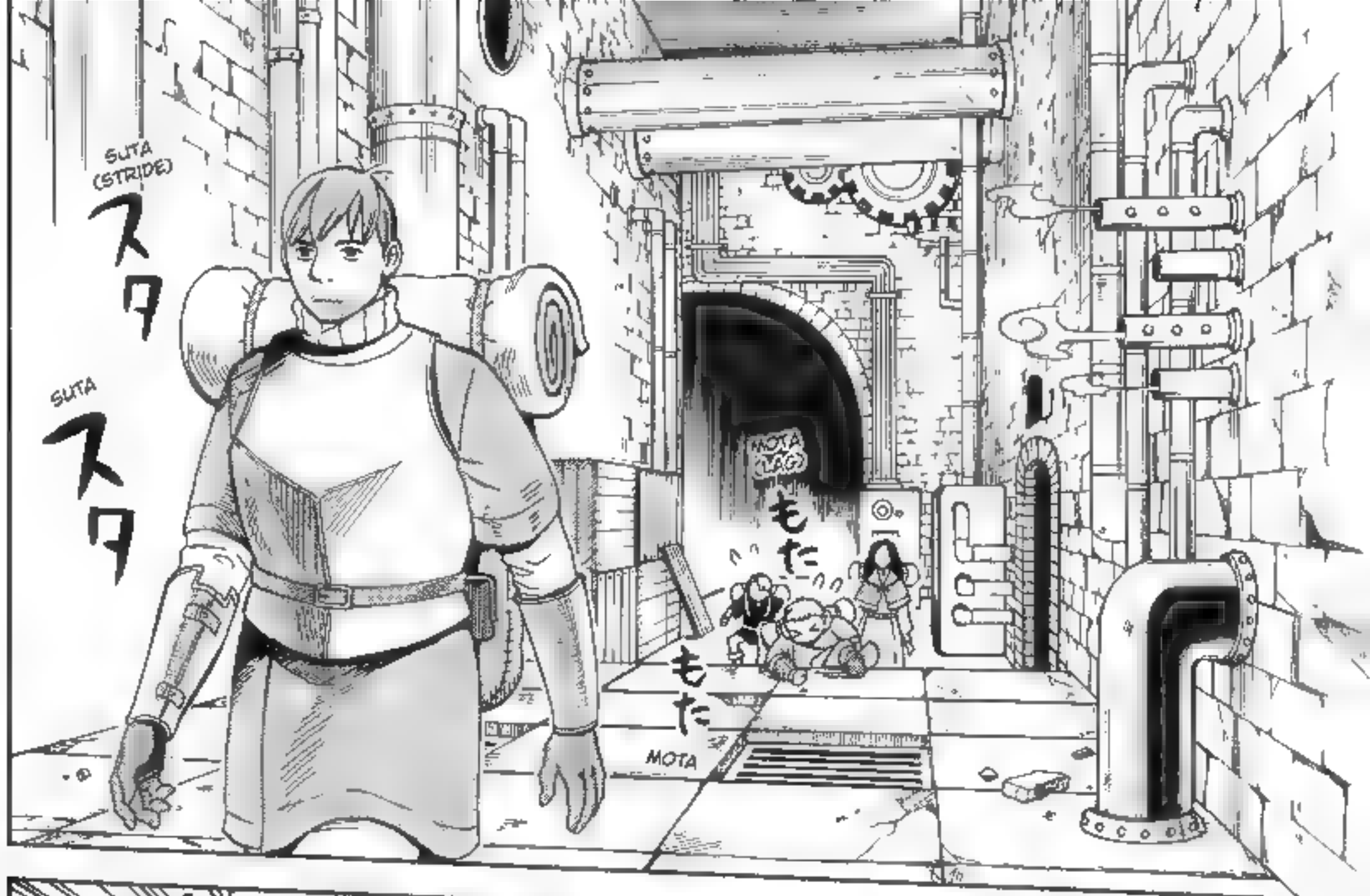
SENSHI



IZUTSUMI

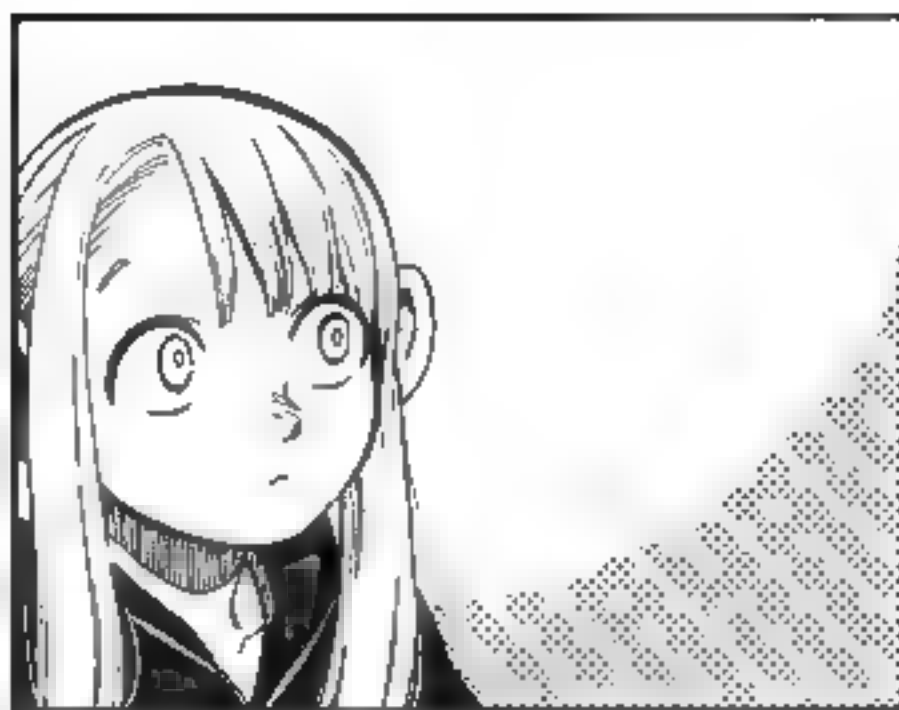






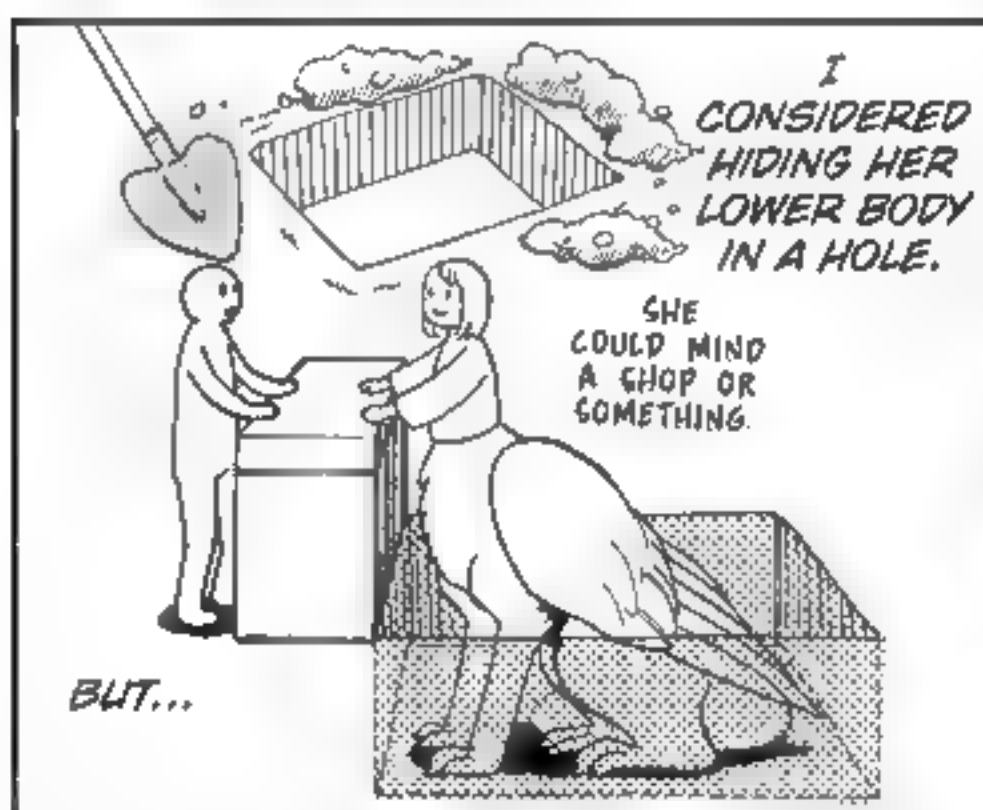


















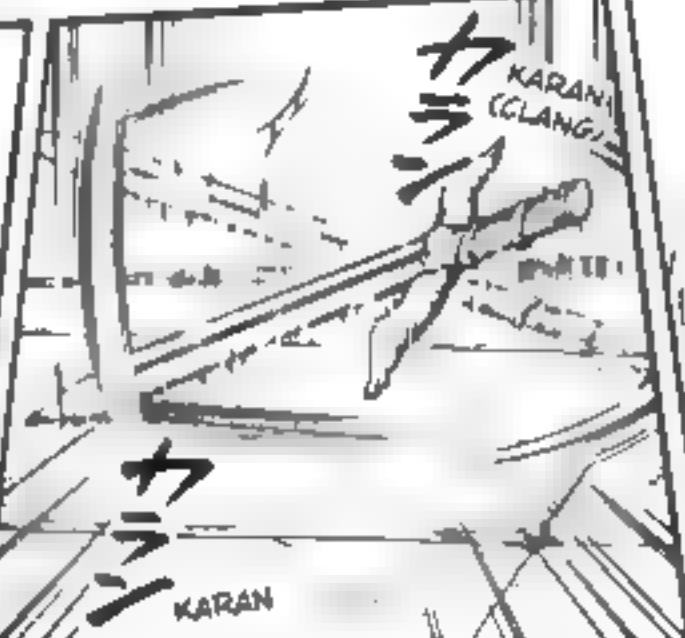
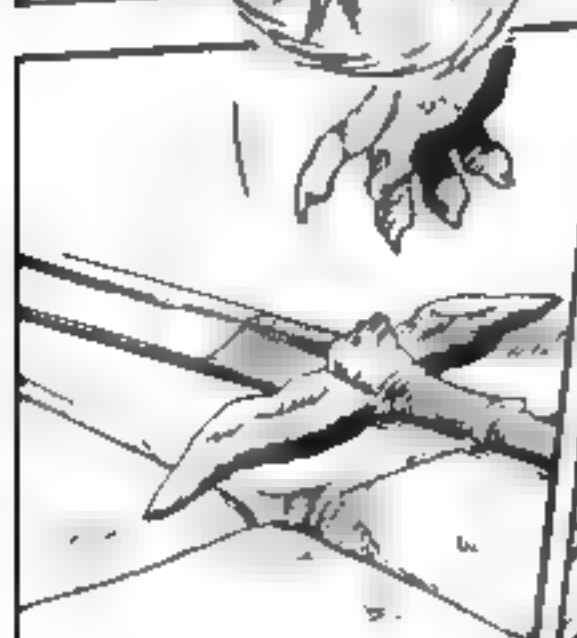


THEY'RE  
RIGHT  
THERE!



GAKIN  
(CRACK)

BYUO  
ZOOM



LAIOS!

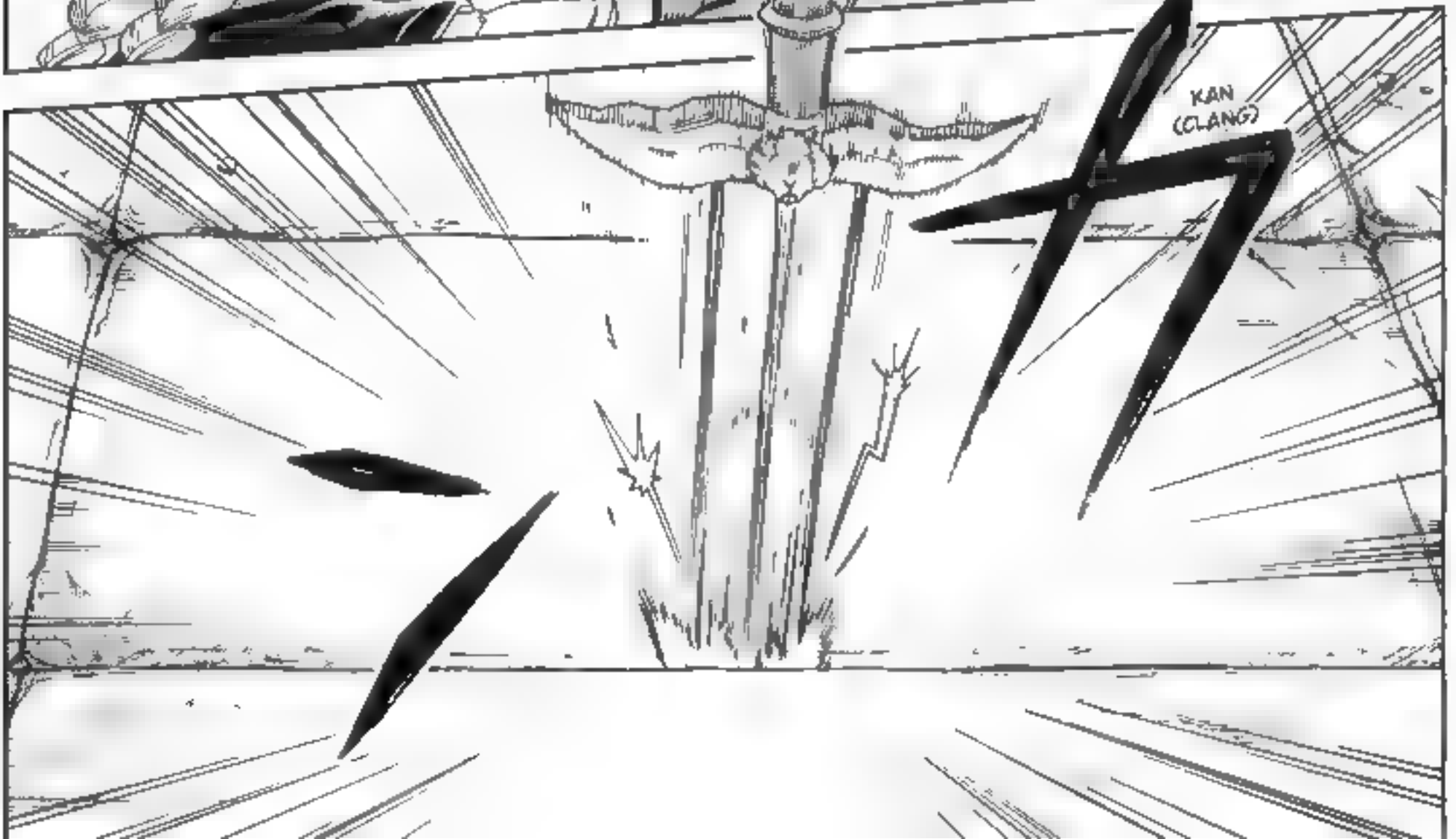
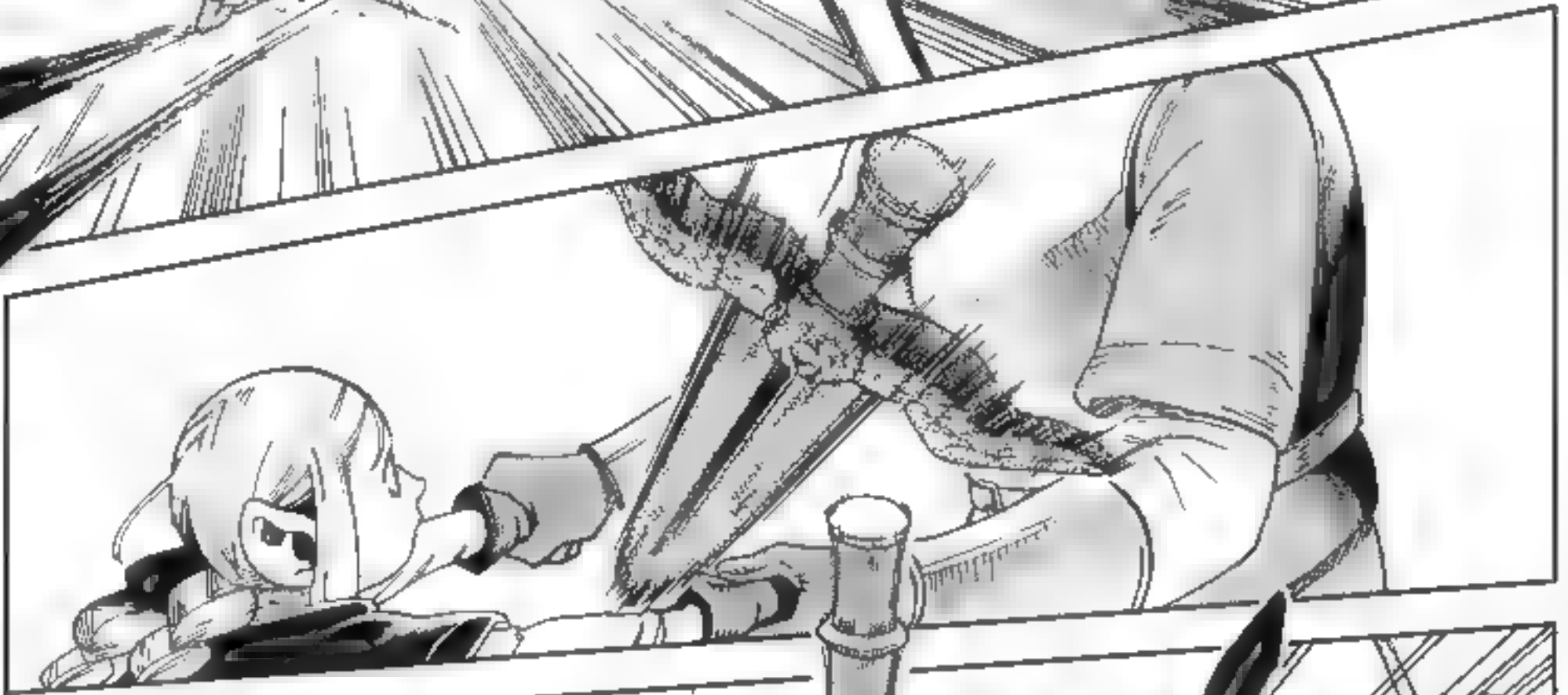
KURU  
(SPIN)

KURU

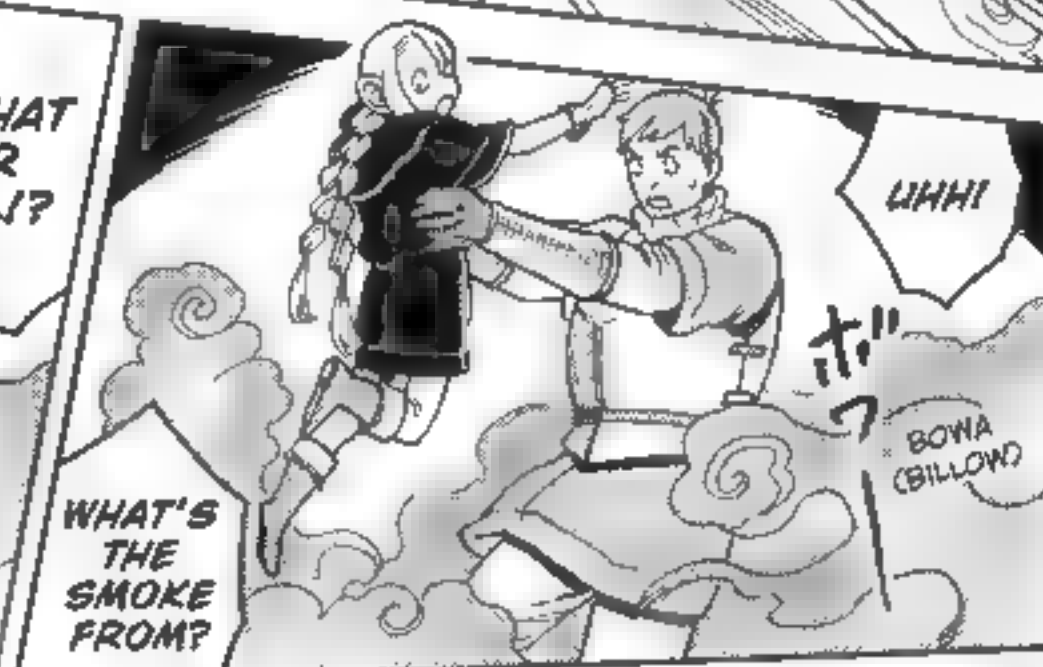
KARAN

















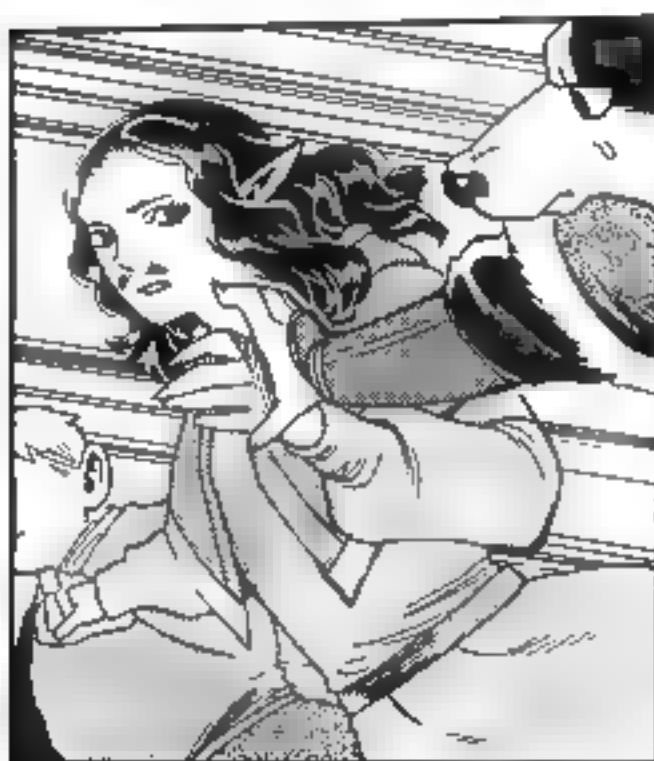
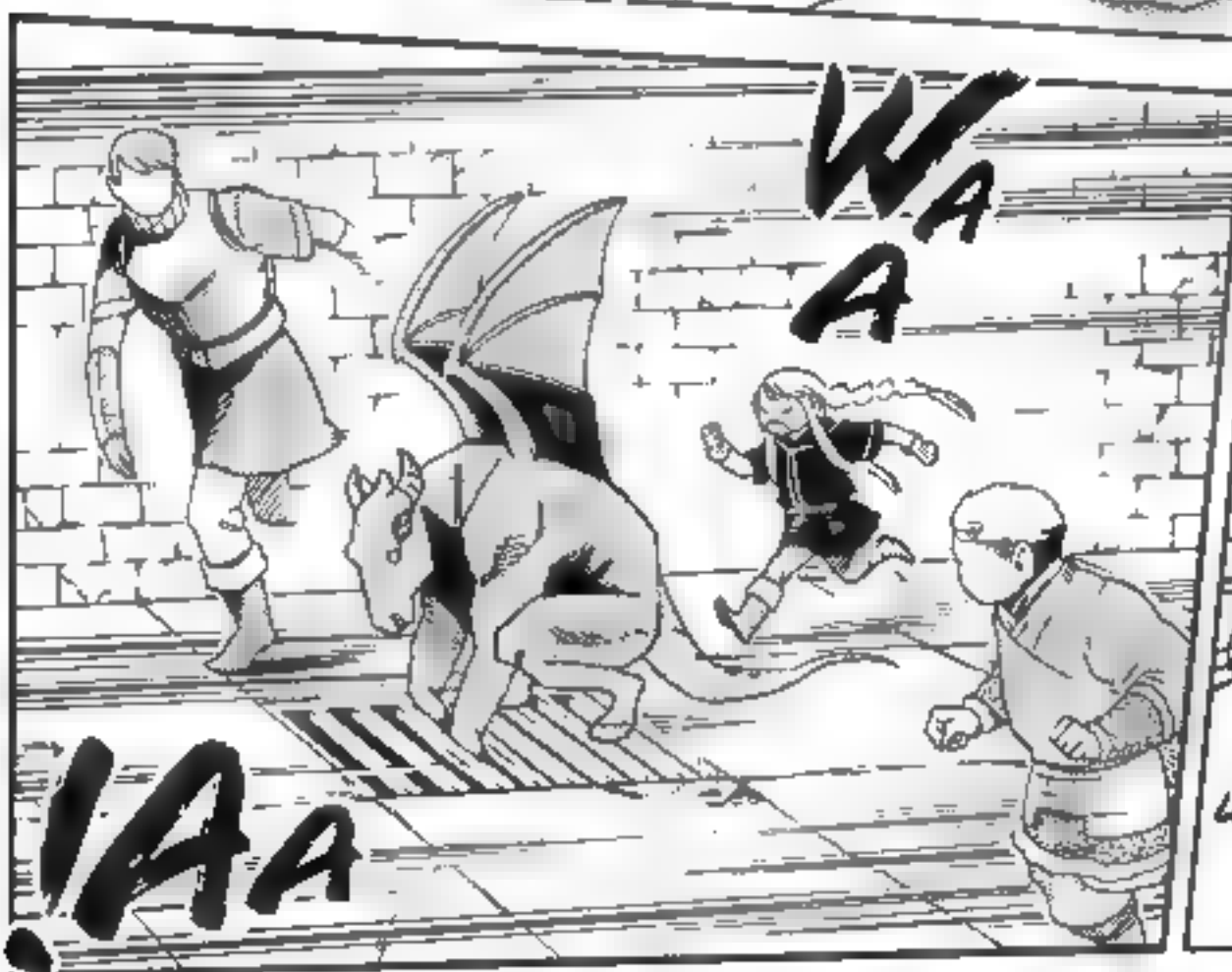














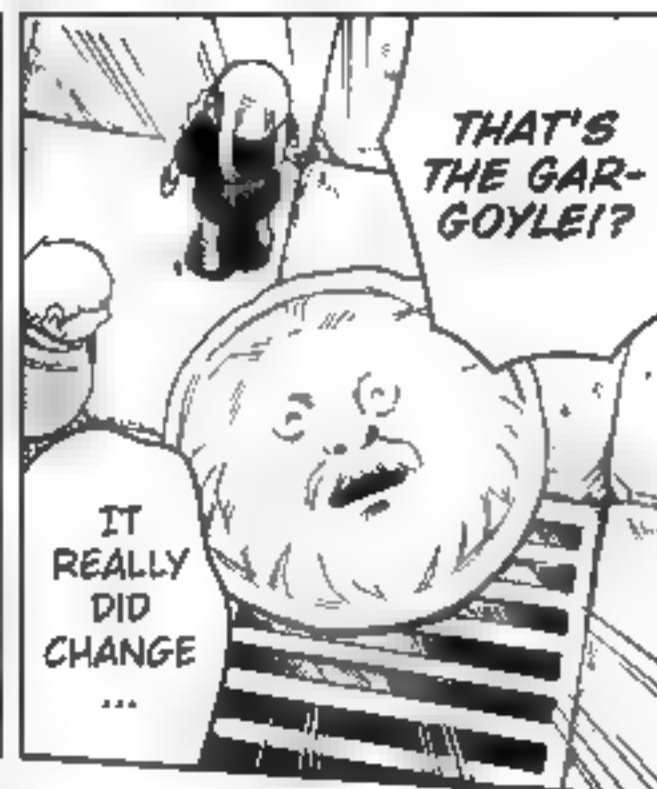




AND  
NONLIVING  
THINGS  
CHANGE  
FASTER?

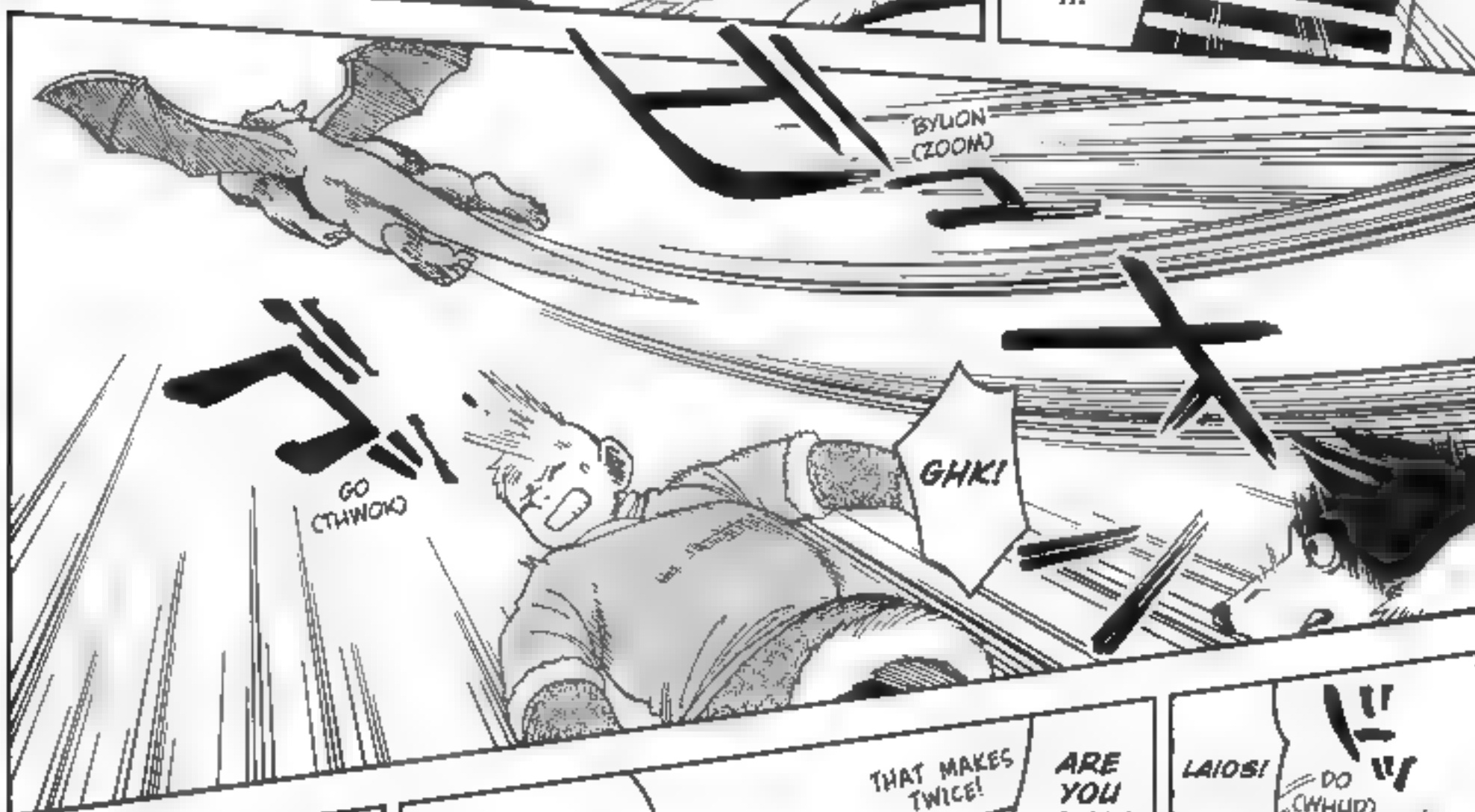
THE MEAT  
DID TOO.

I SEE,  
SO THE  
SPORES—



THAT'S  
THE GAR-  
GOYLE?

IT  
REALLY  
DID  
CHANGE  
...



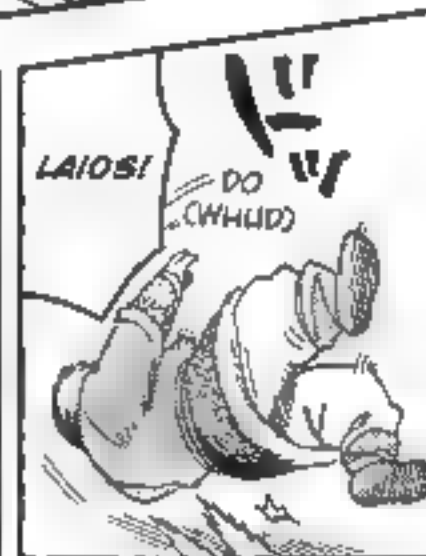
ARGH.



IT HURT,  
BUT I'M  
FINE.  
DWARFS  
ARE  
STURDY.

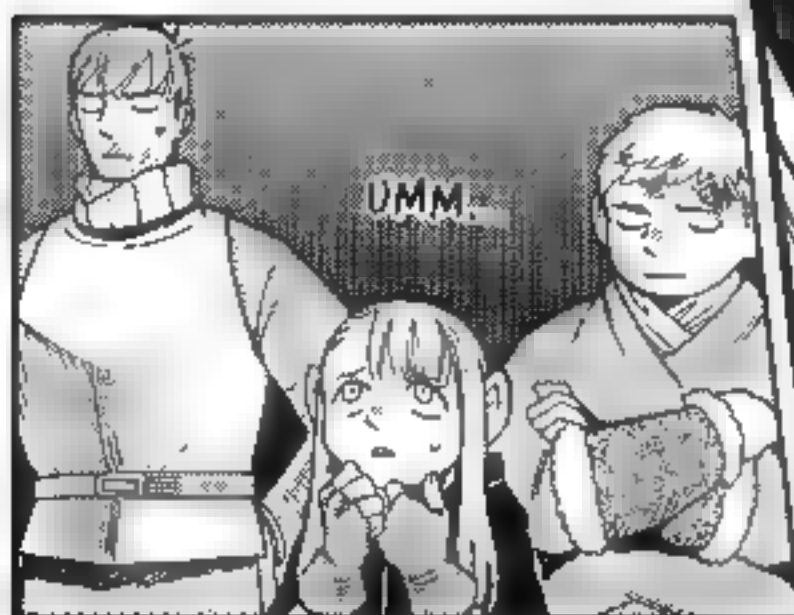
THAT MAKES  
TWICE!

ARE  
YOU  
OKAY  
?

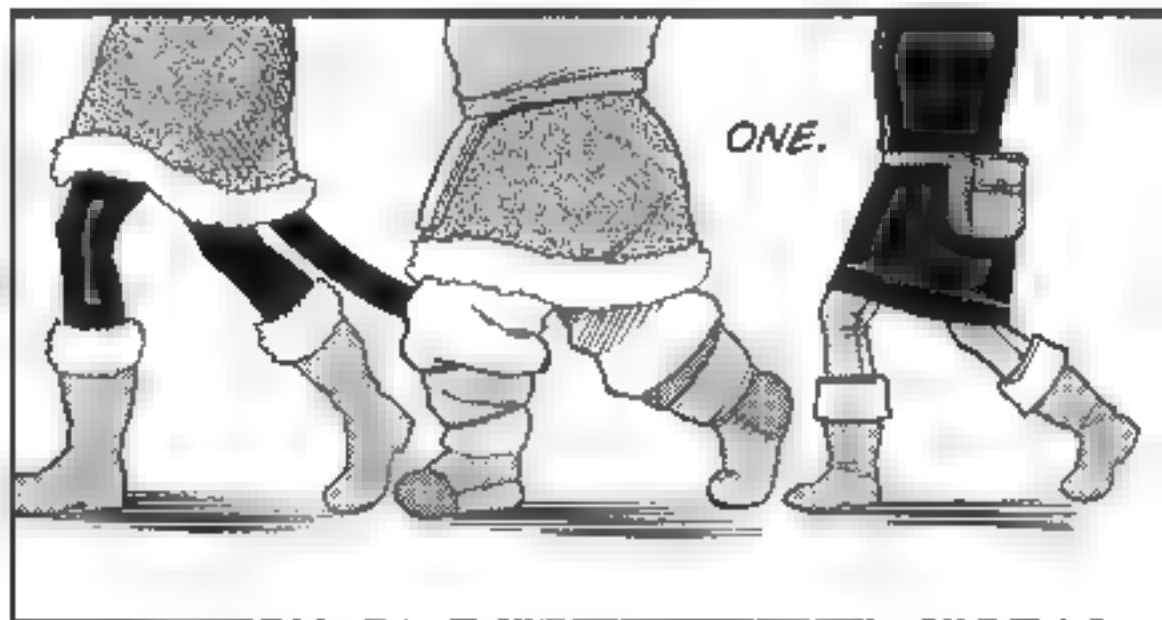
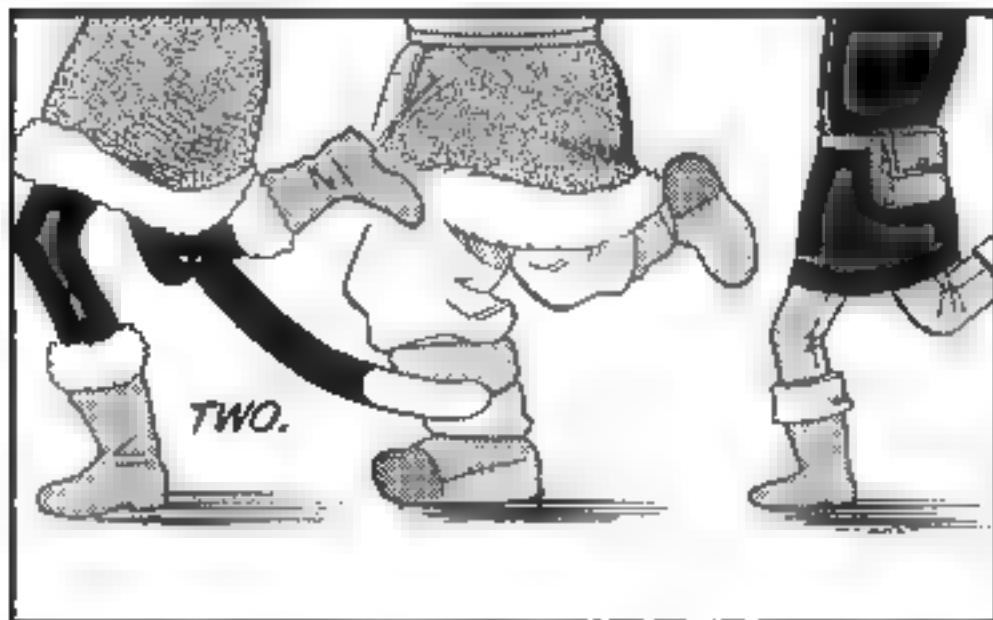
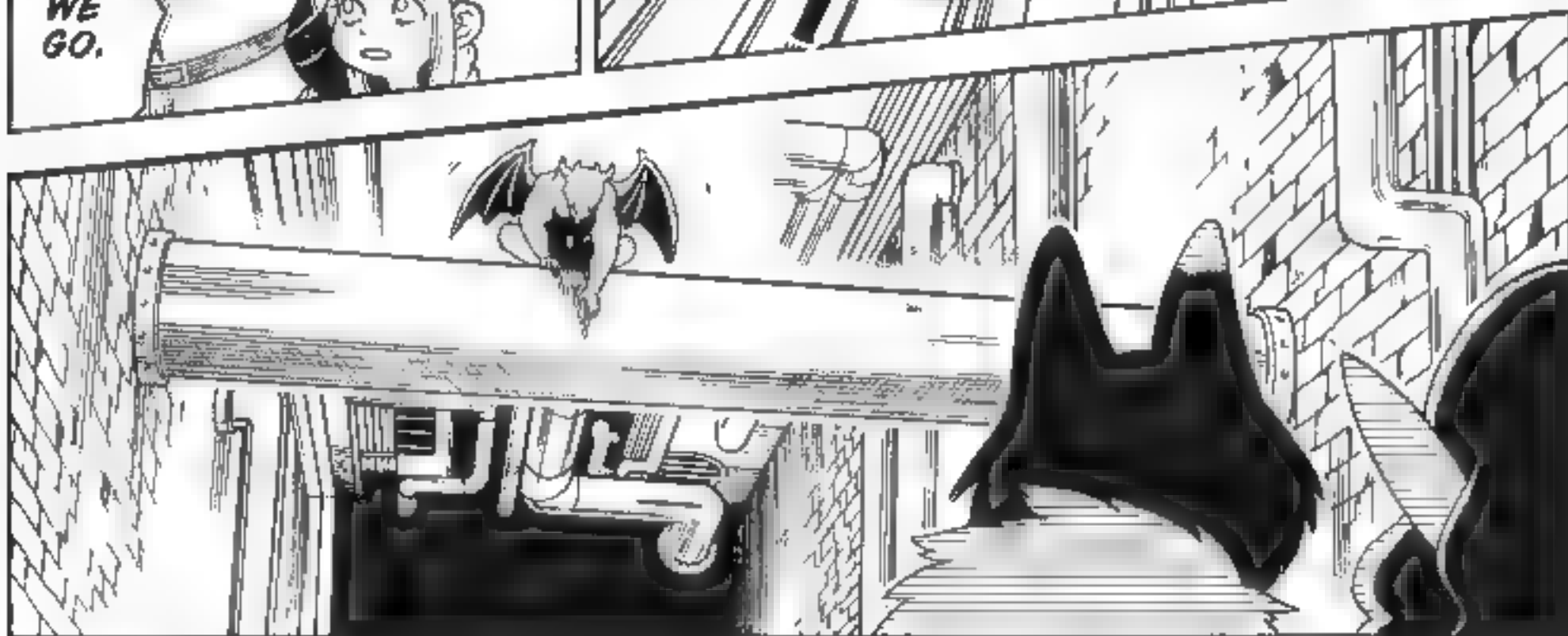


LAIOS!

DO  
(CHWID)



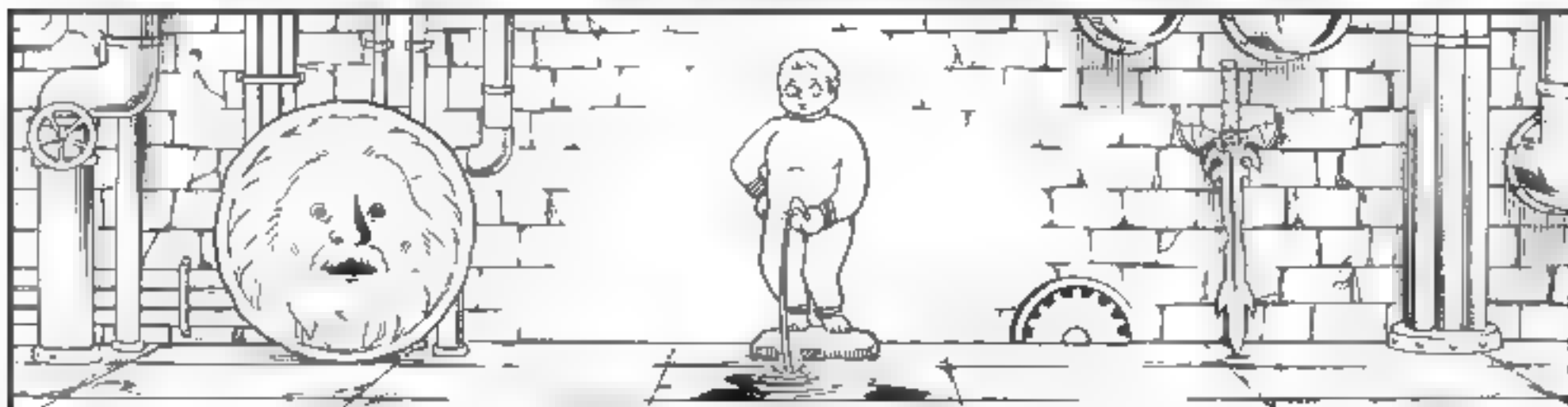




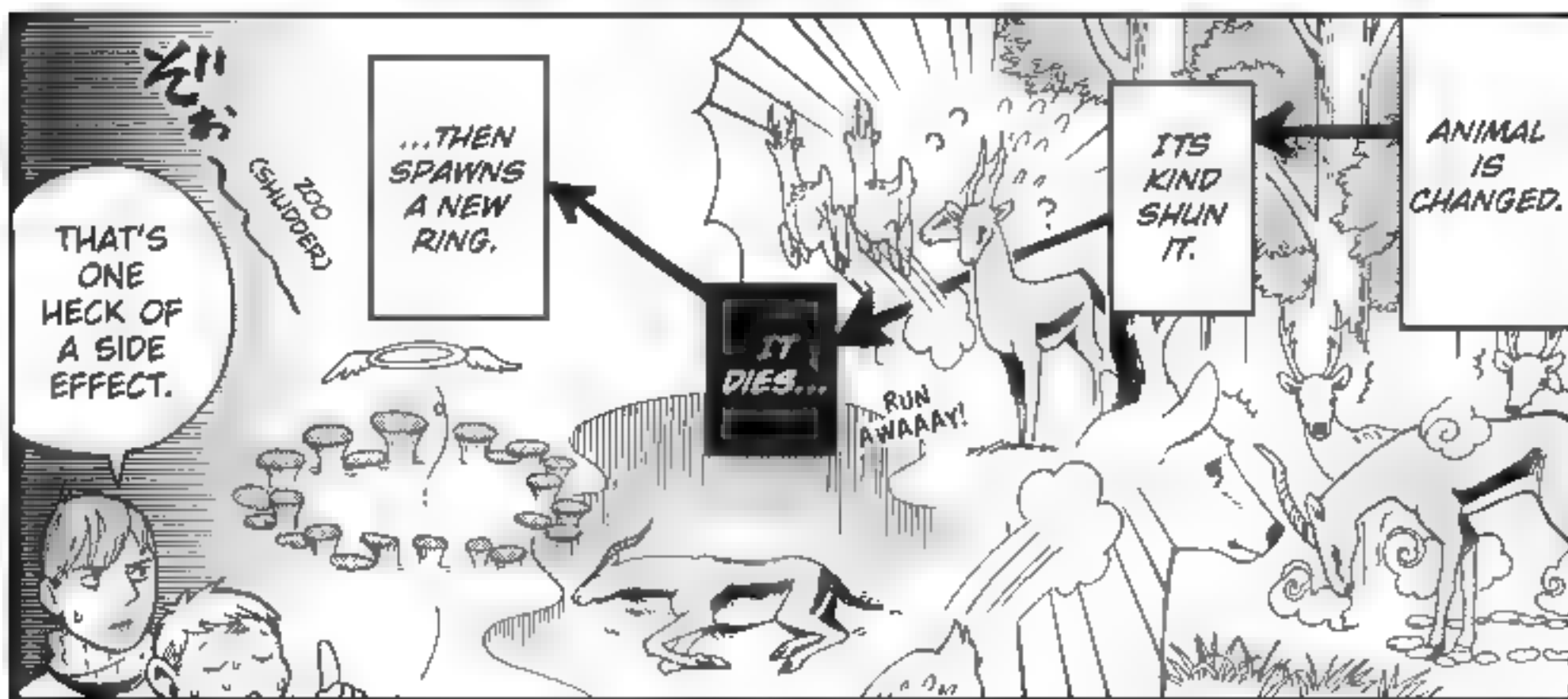


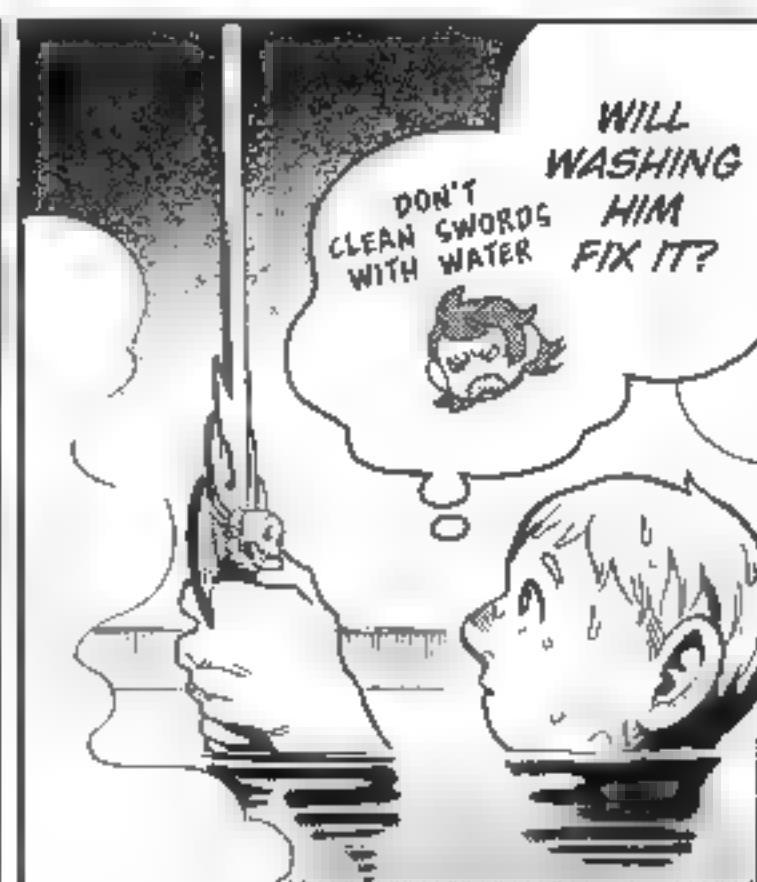




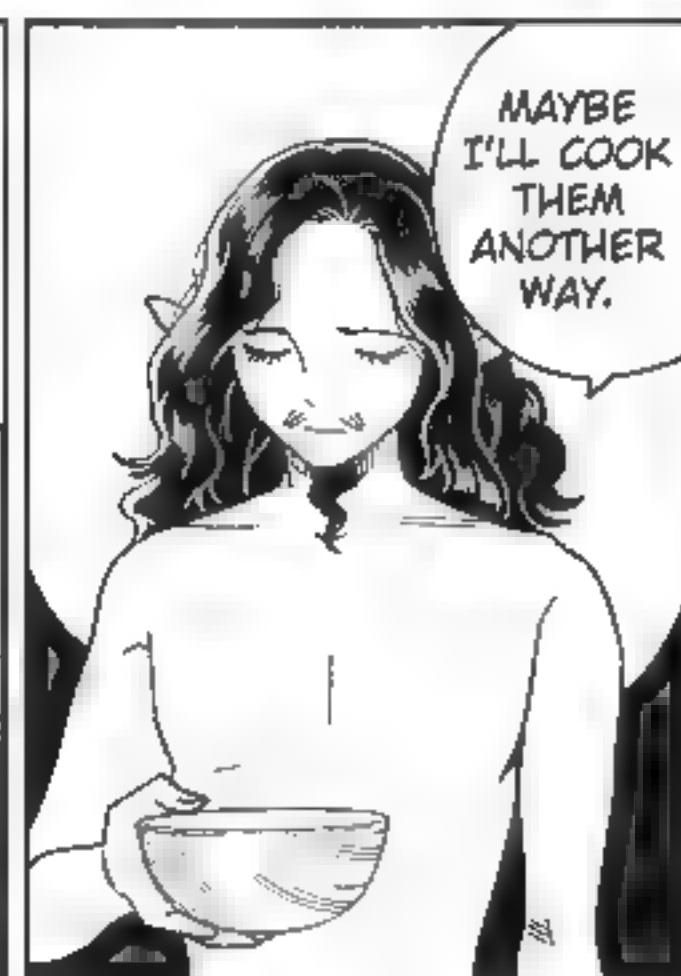








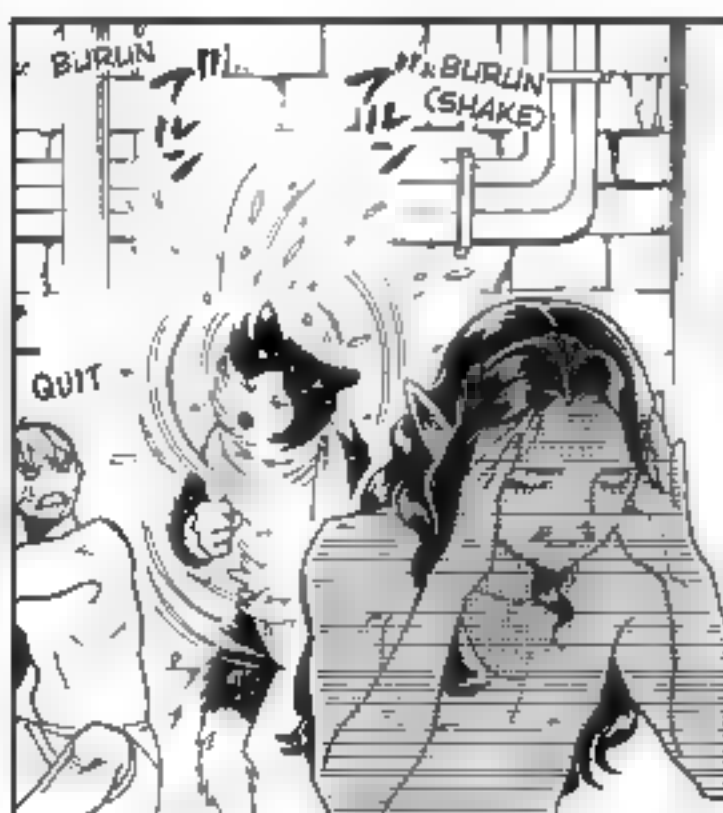






IZUTSUMI DOESN'T EAT MUCH, AND SHE WON'T TOUCH ANYTHING SHE DOESN'T LIKE.

I'LL HAVE TO TAKE EXTRA CARE TO ENSURE SHE EATS ENOUGH.



HOW'S THIS, IZUTSUMI?

...YOU JUST FRIED THEM?



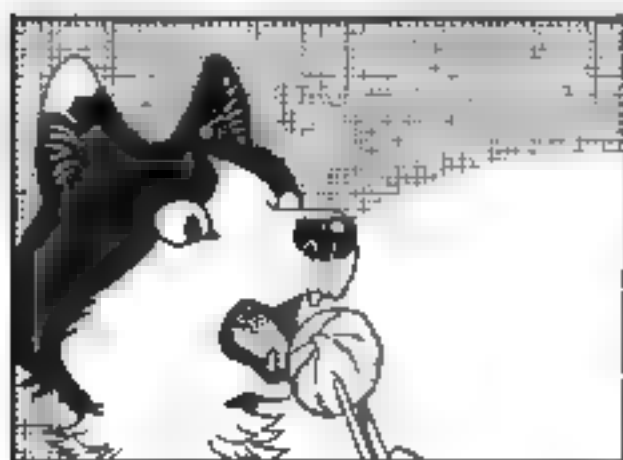
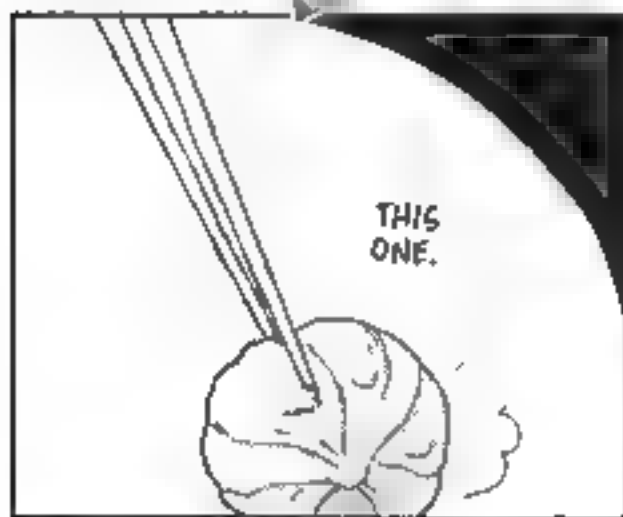
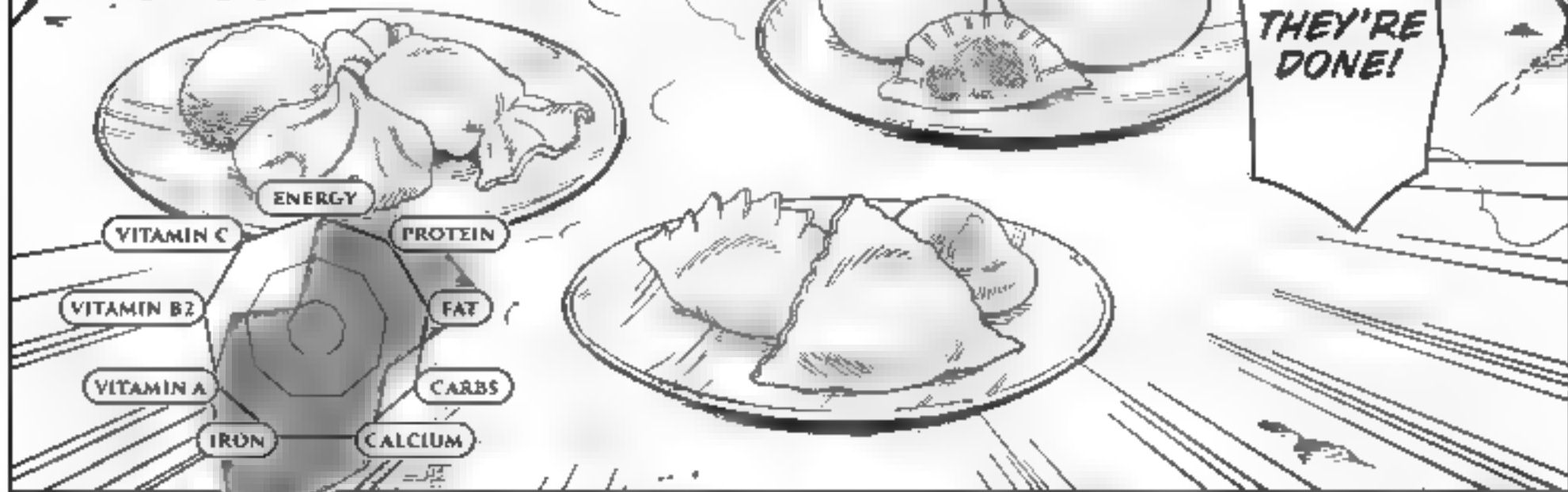




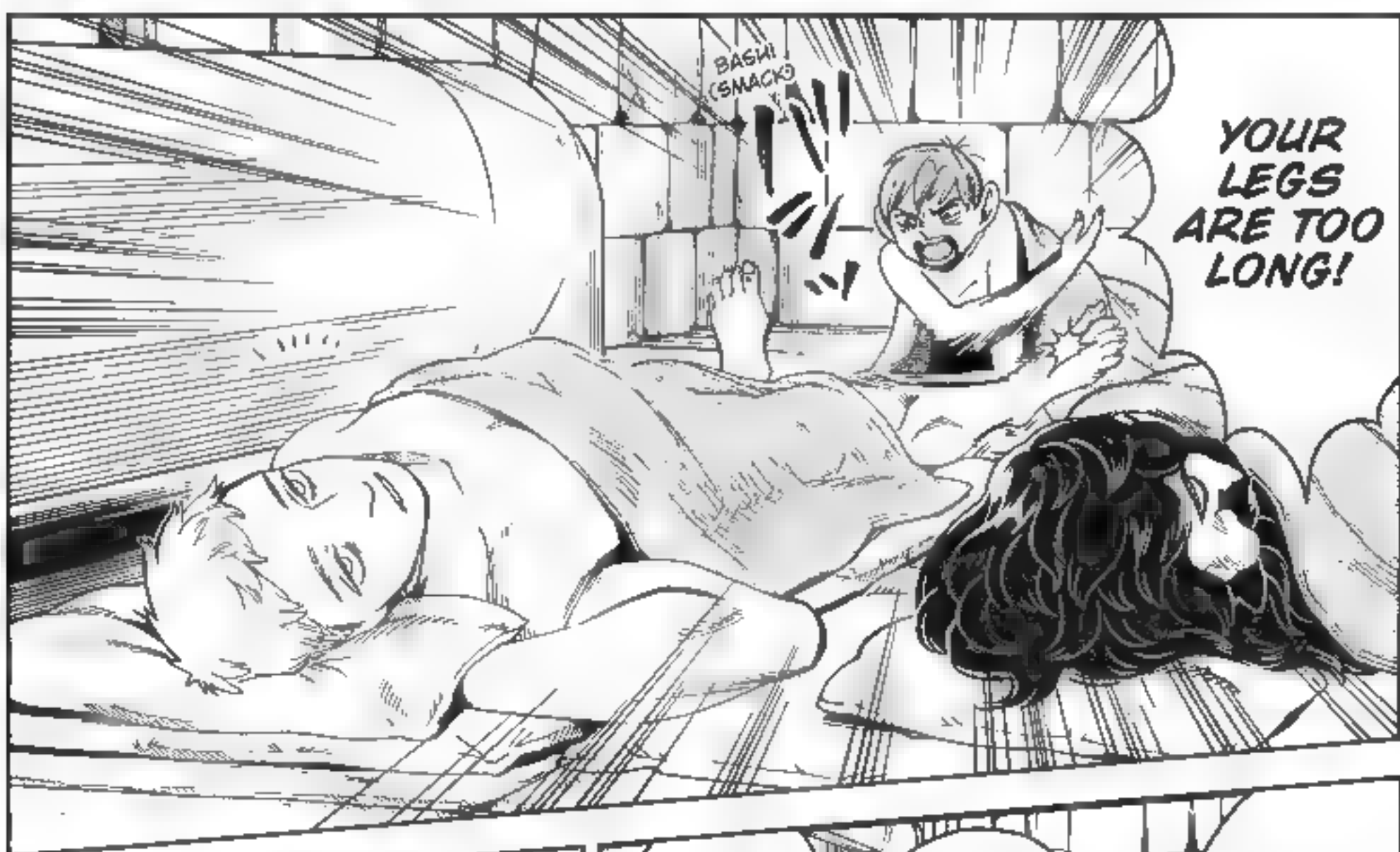
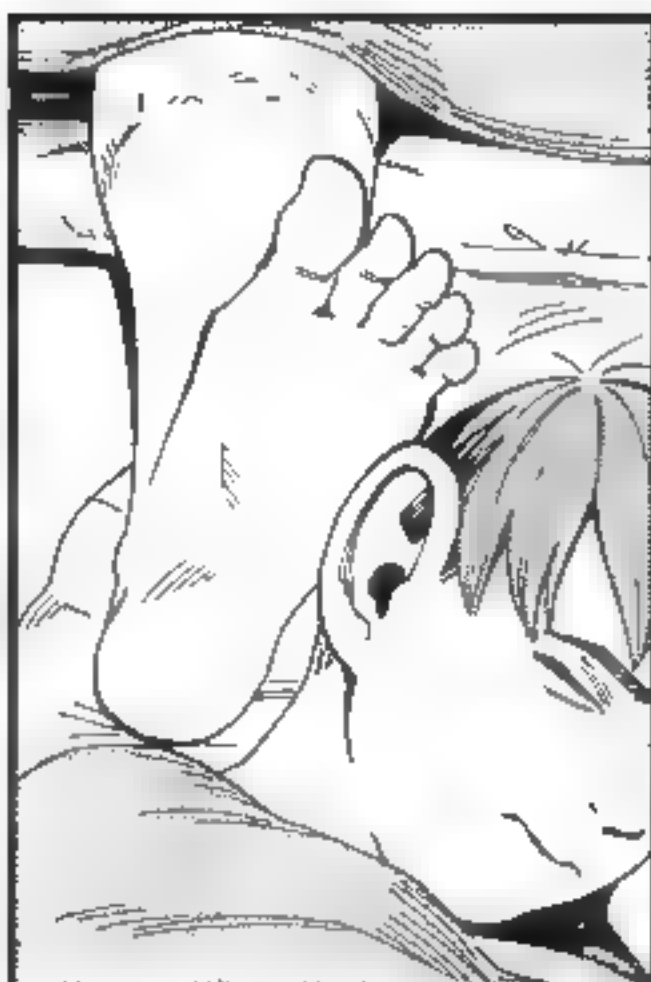
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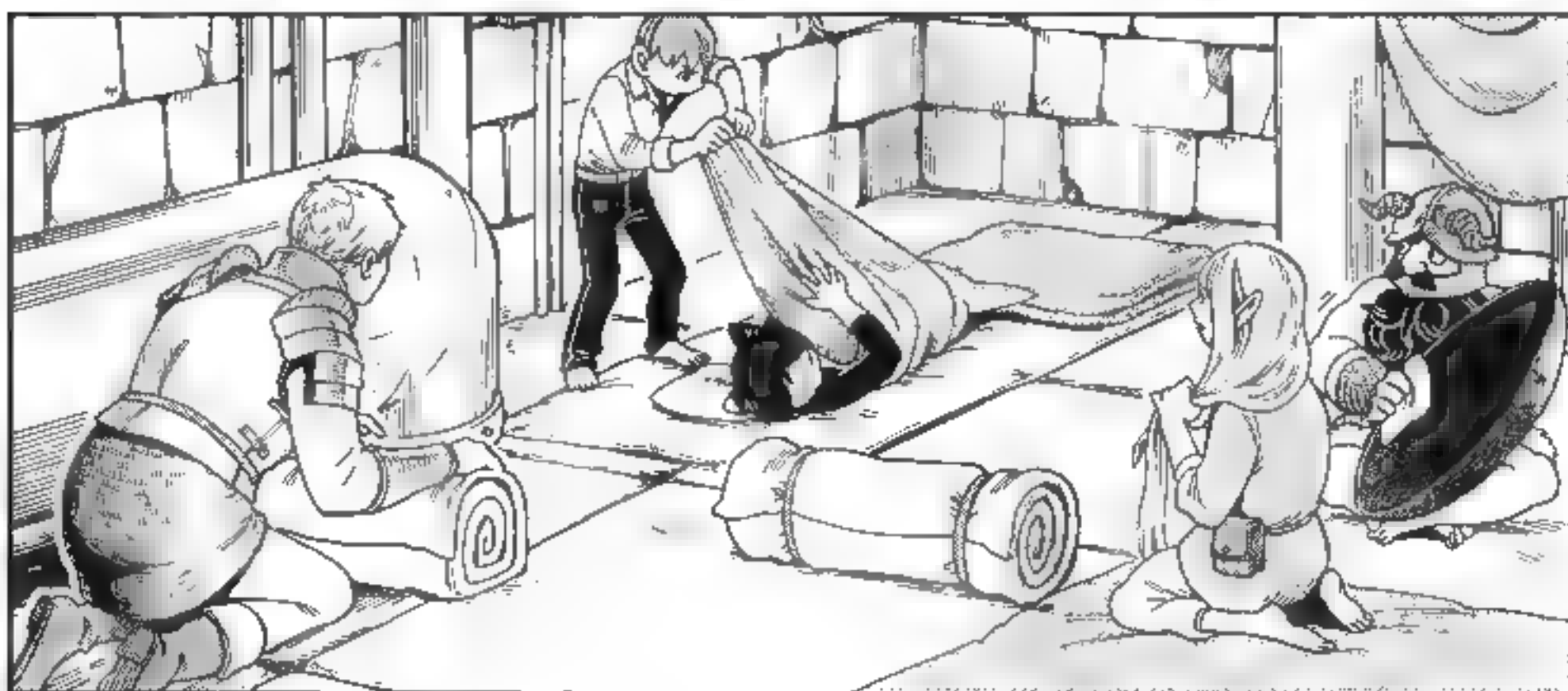
## Ingredients

Dwarf-style dumplings — As many as you like  
 Changeling spores — As needed

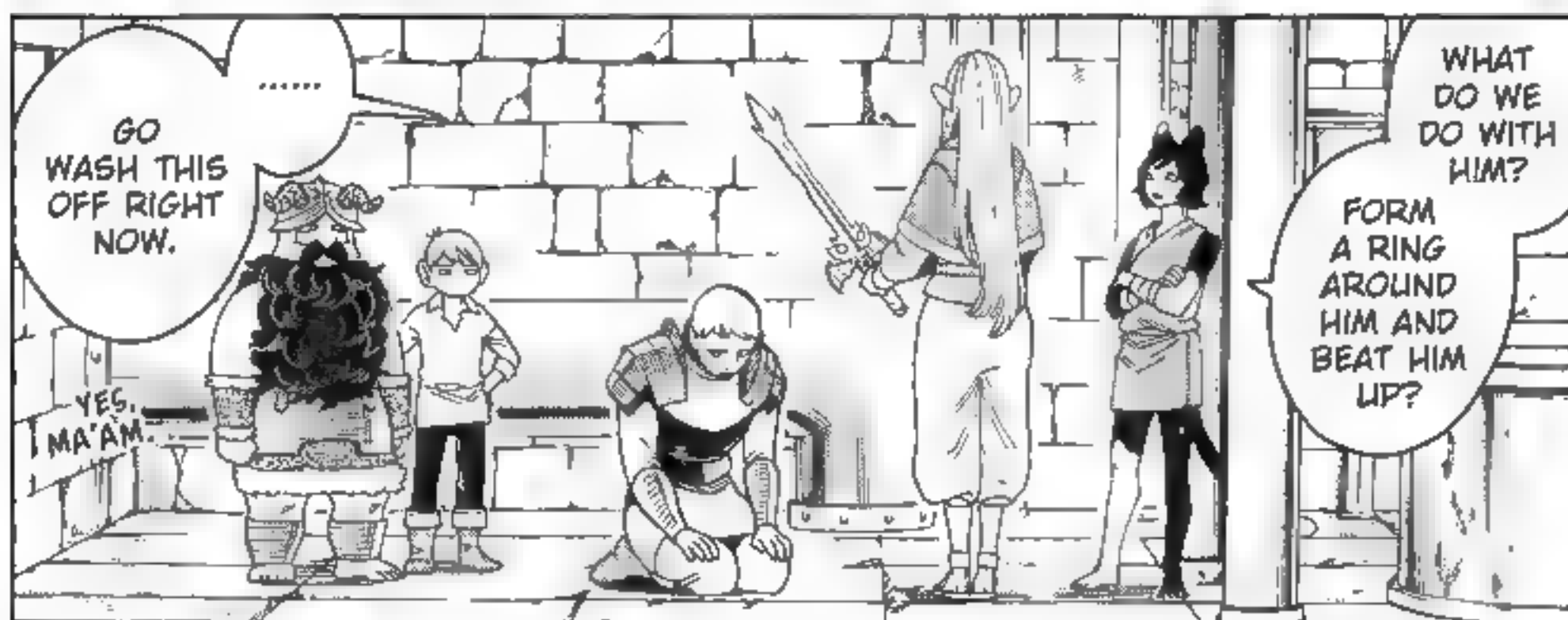
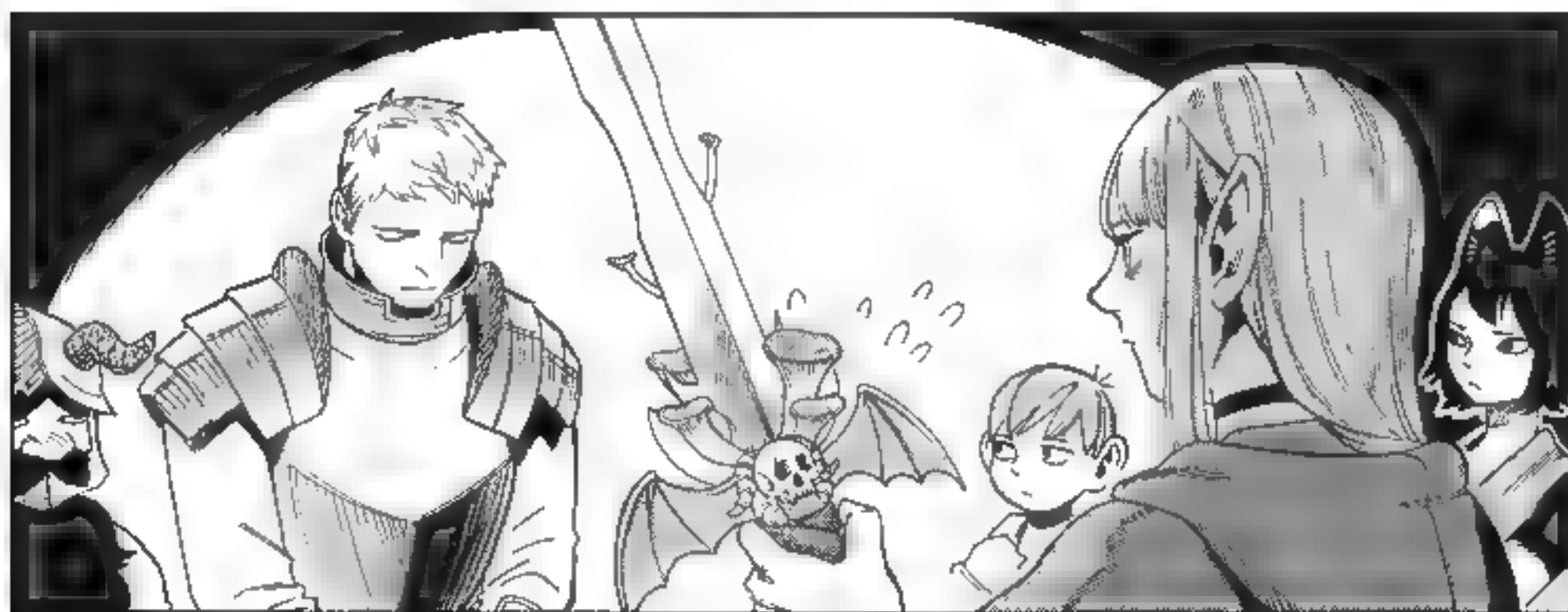
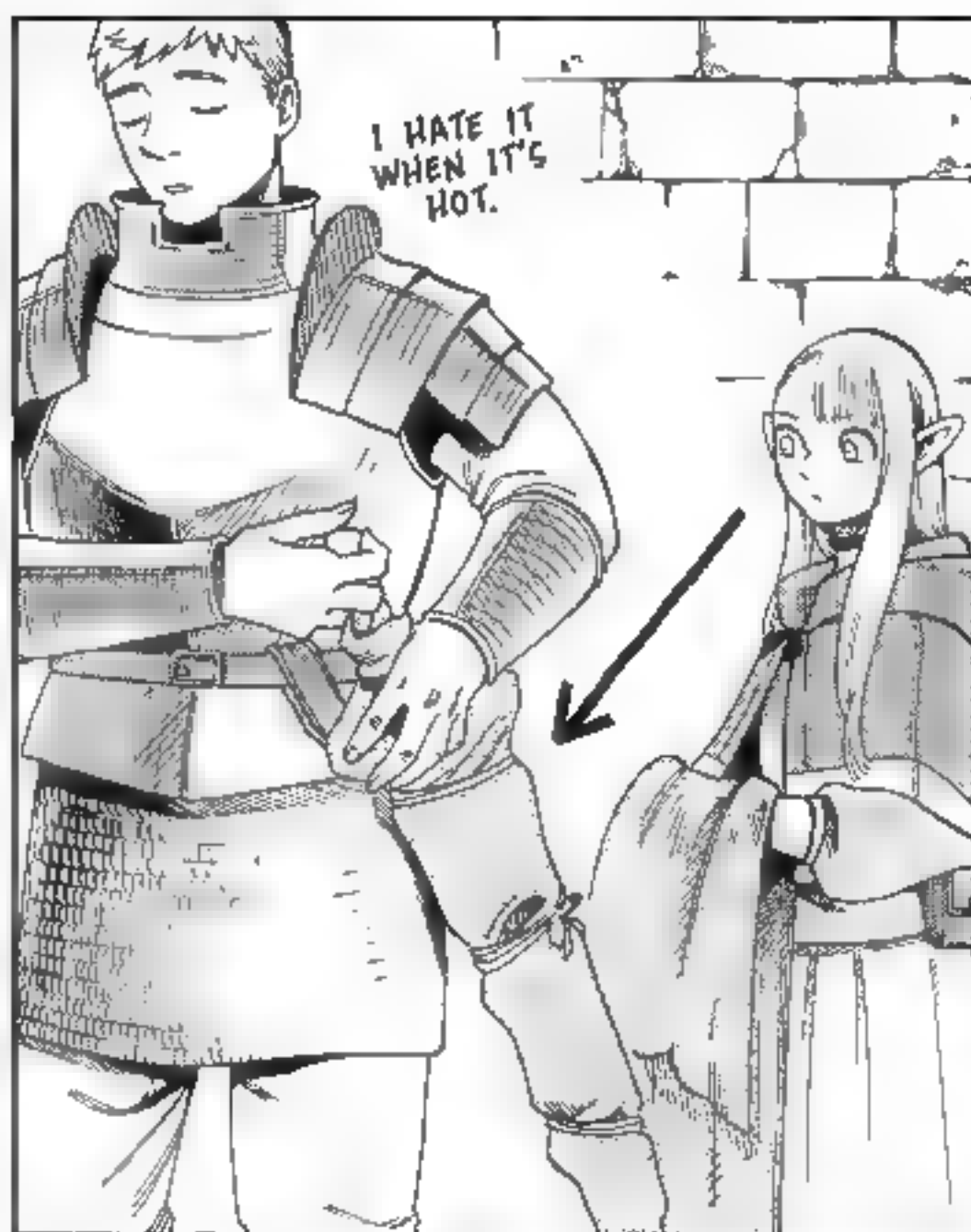












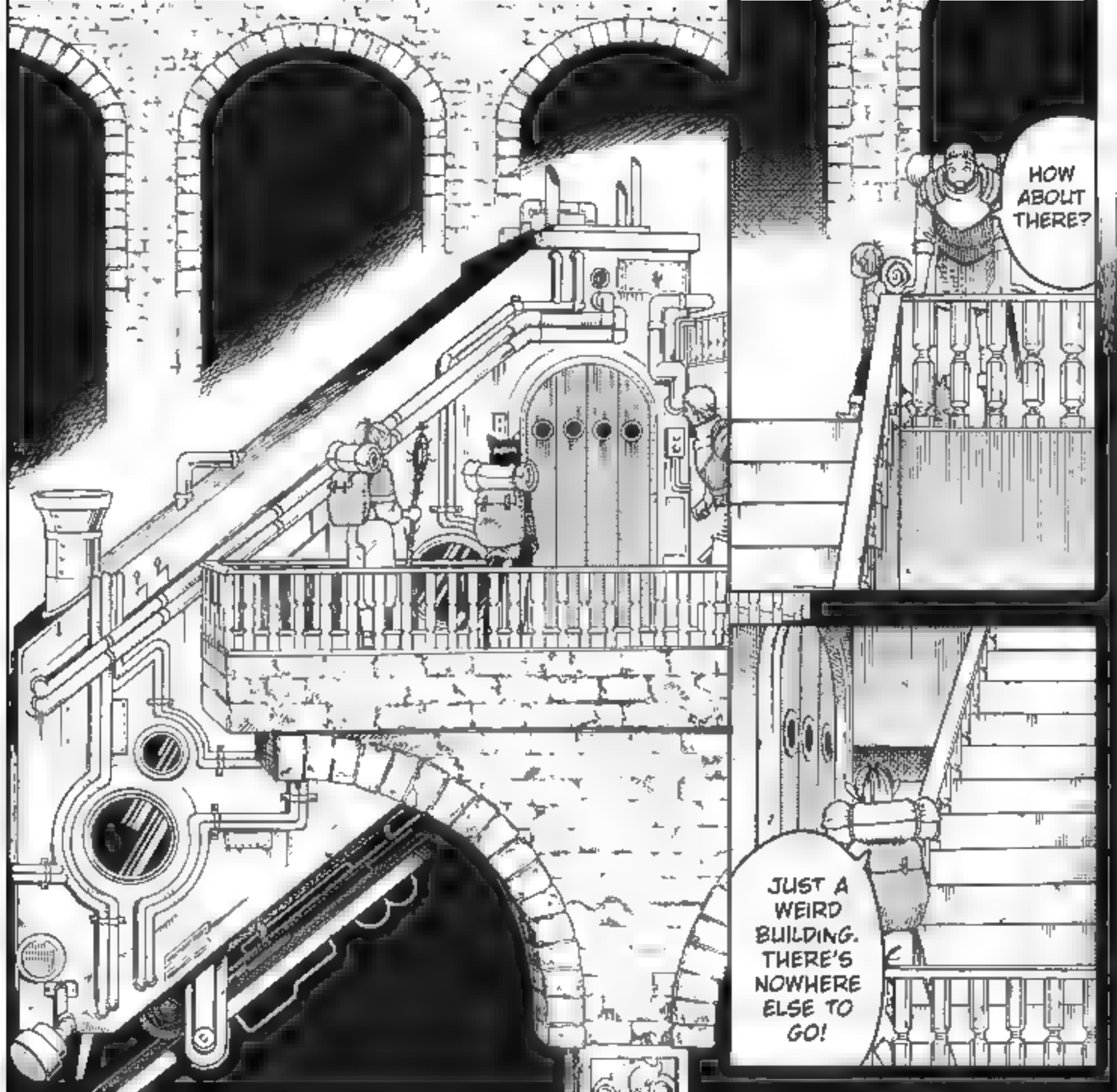




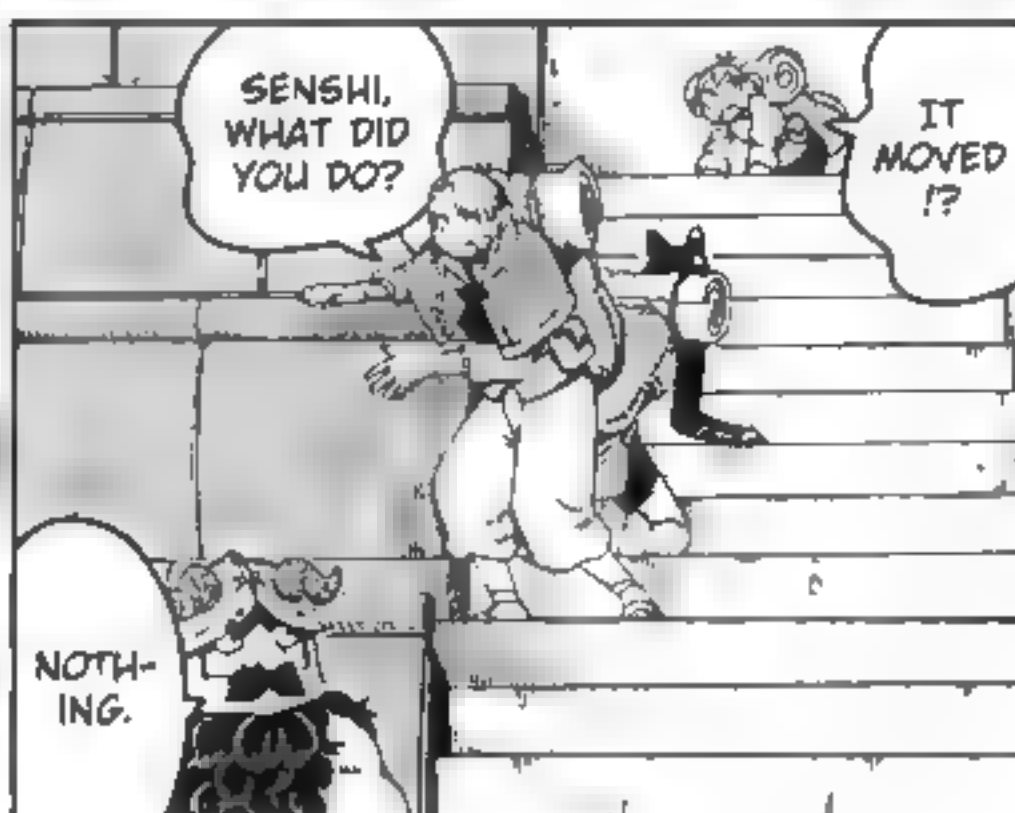


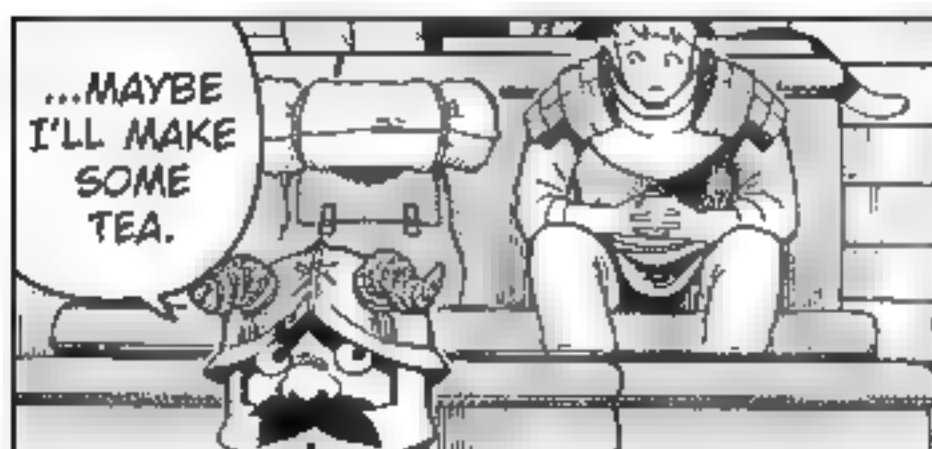
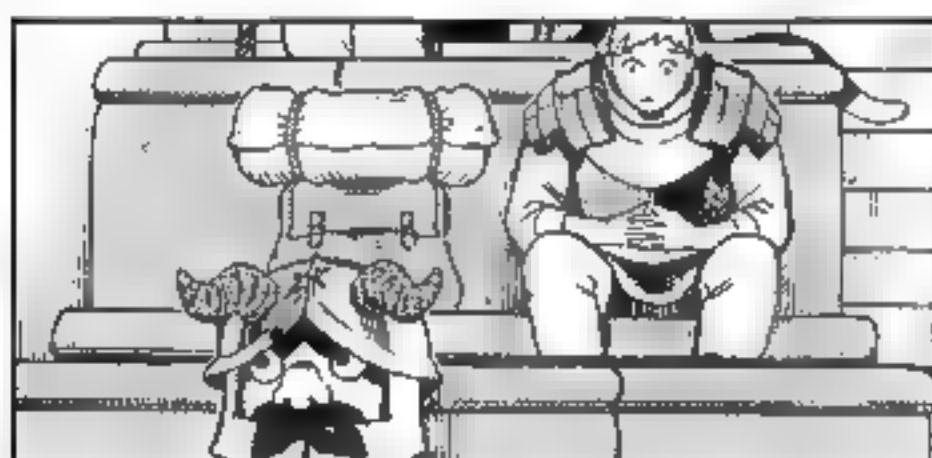
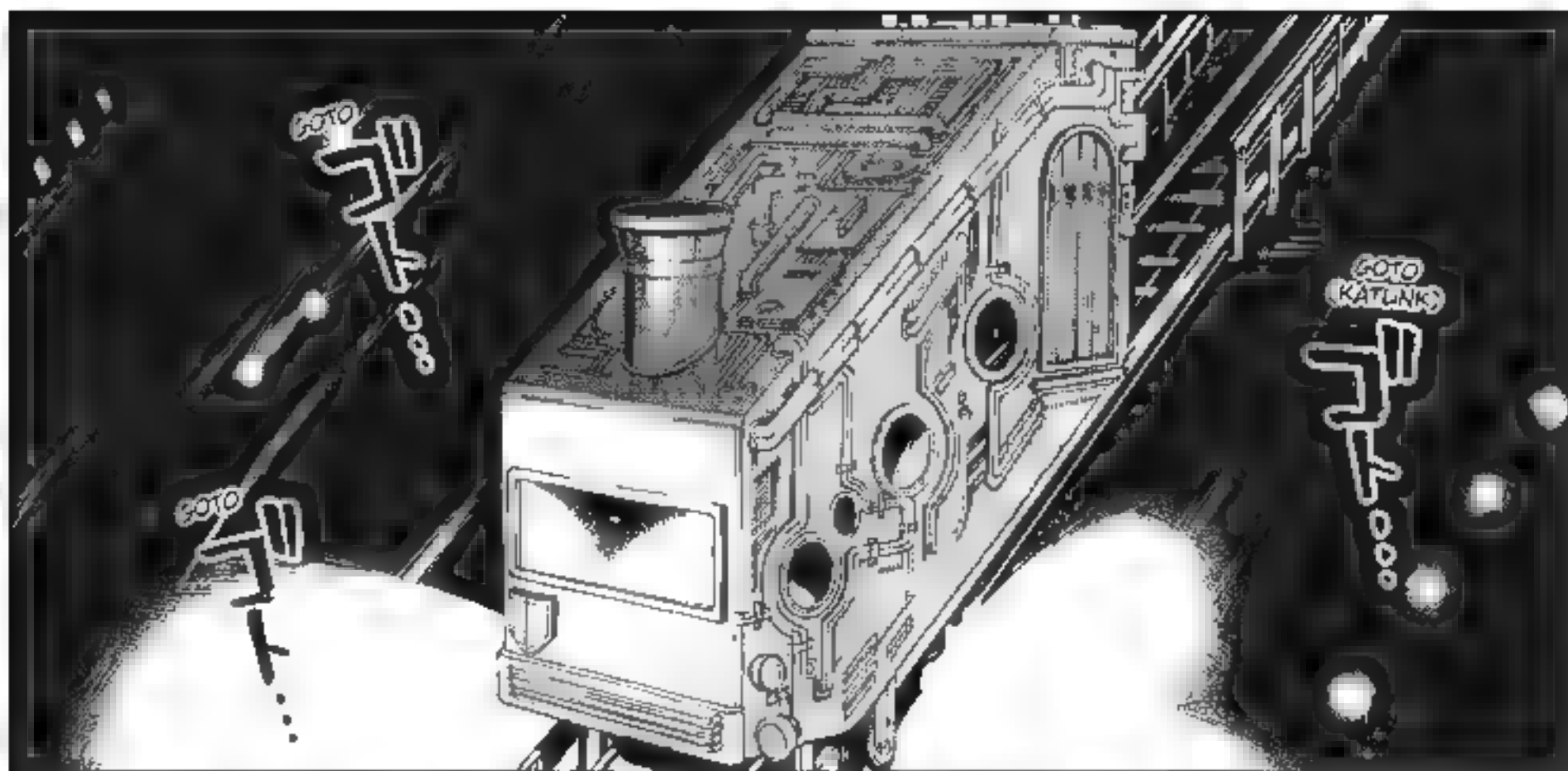
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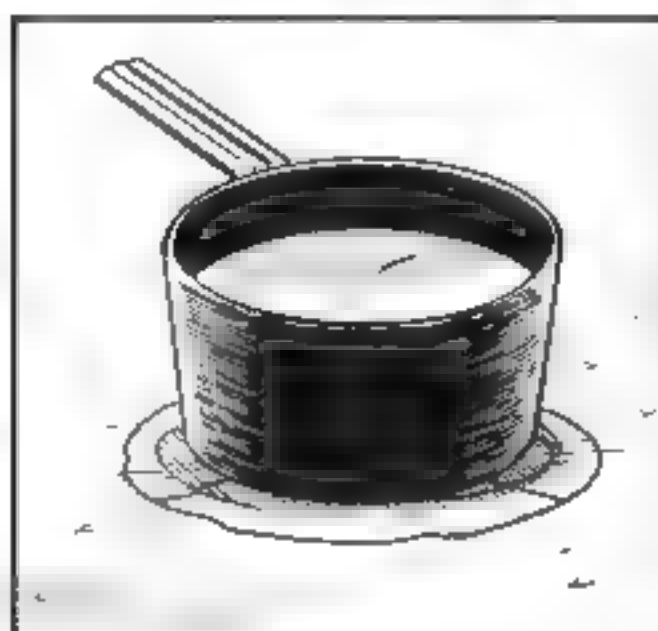
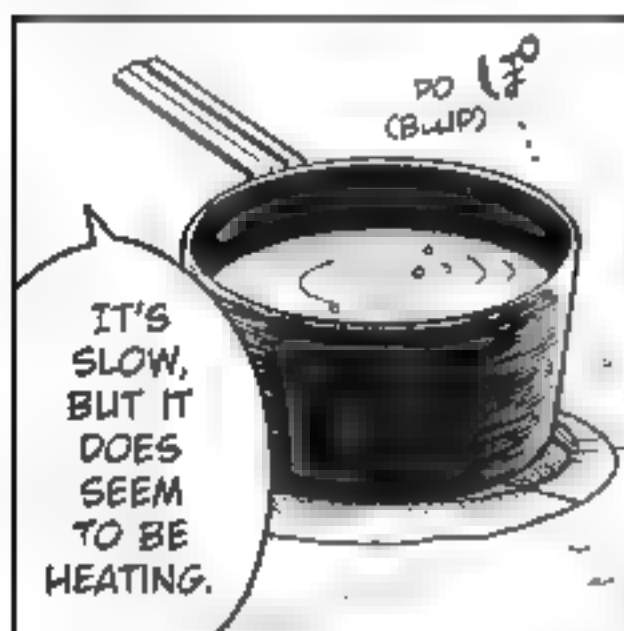
















I DIDN'T  
FIT THERE  
EITHER,  
THOUGH...

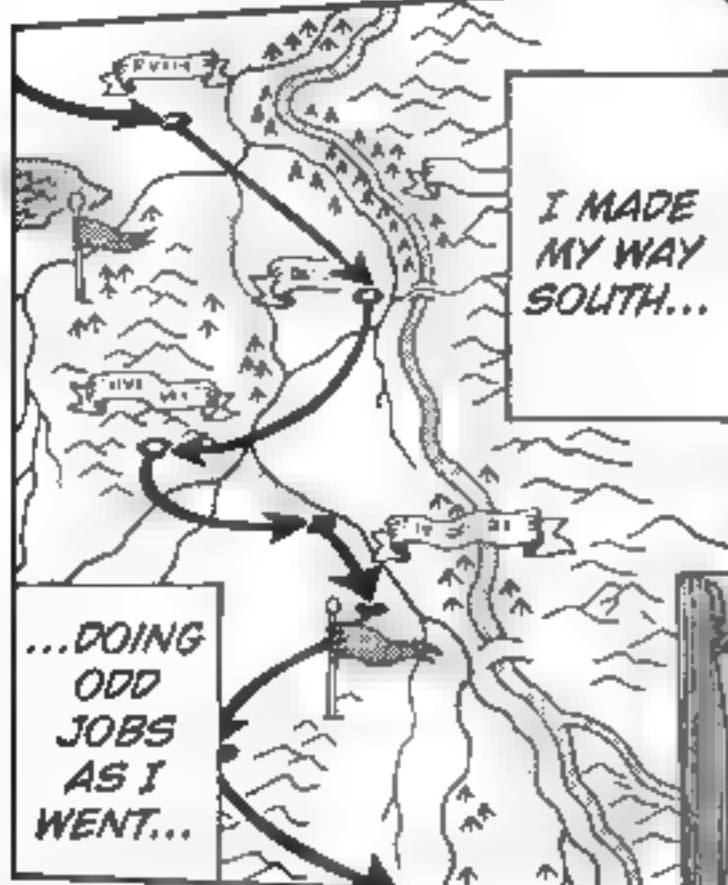


IN MY  
TEENS,  
I GOT  
FED UP  
WITH MY  
VILLAGE.

I WENT  
TO A  
SCHOOL  
IN TOWN,  
THEN  
JOINED  
THE ARMY.



HM.  
IT'S A  
LONG  
STORY,  
BUT...



I MADE  
MY WAY  
SOUTH...

...DOING  
ODD  
JOBS  
AS I  
WENT...

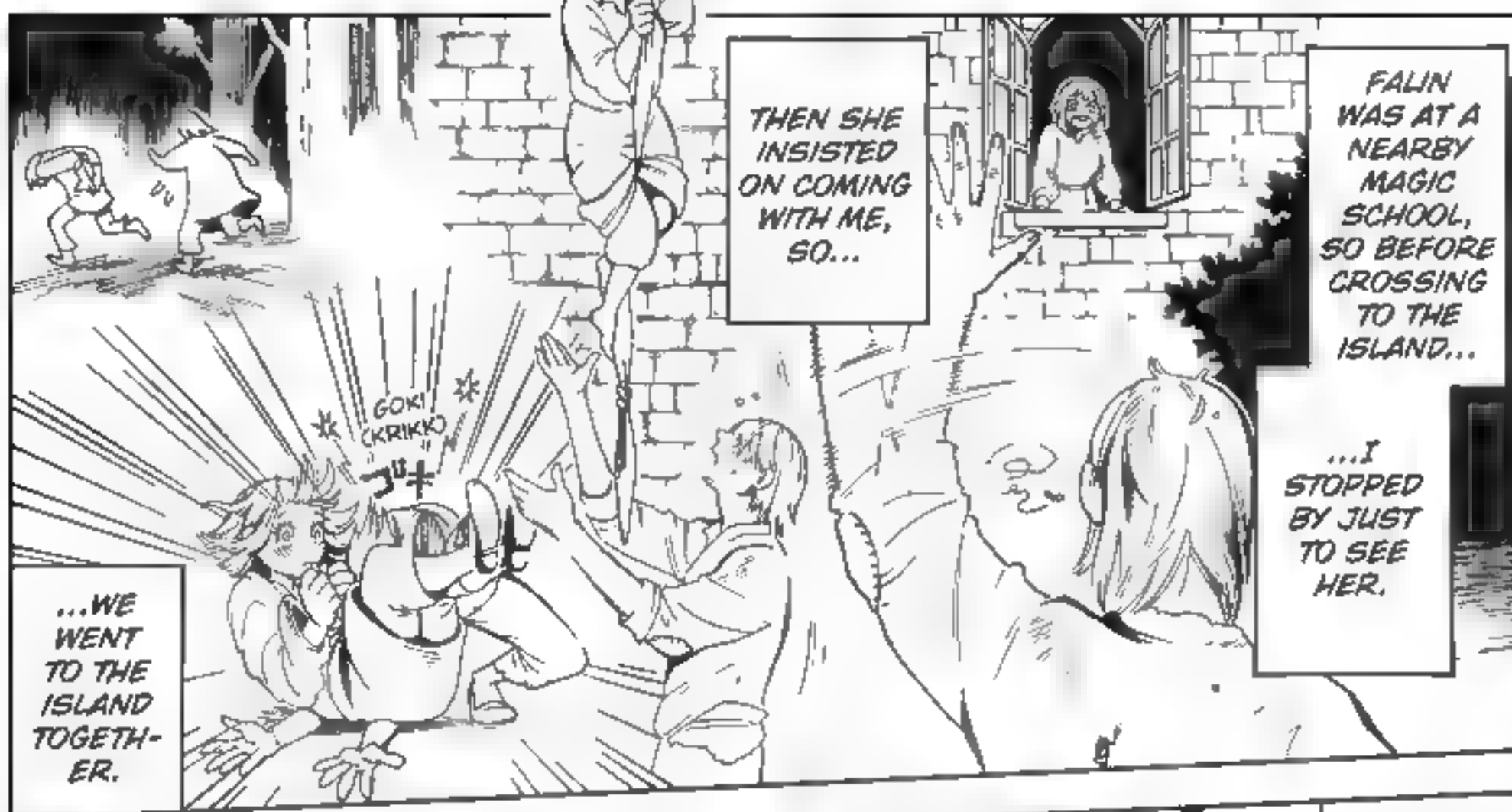


...AND I  
SIGNED  
ON WITH A  
PASSING  
CARAVAN.

WHAT, HE  
DESERTED?



...AND  
FINALLY  
REACHED  
THIS  
ISLAND.



THEN SHE  
INSISTED  
ON COMING  
WITH ME,  
SO...

FALIN  
WAS AT A  
NEARBY  
MAGIC  
SCHOOL,  
SO BEFORE  
CROSSING  
TO THE  
ISLAND...

...I  
STOPPED  
BY JUST  
TO SEE  
HER.

...WE  
WENT  
TO THE  
ISLAND  
TOGETH-  
ER.



THAT  
NATURALLY  
LED US  
TO THE  
DUNGEON  
...

WHEN WE  
FIRST GOT  
HERE, THE  
GOLD-  
PEELERS  
WERE  
FLOURISH-  
ING...

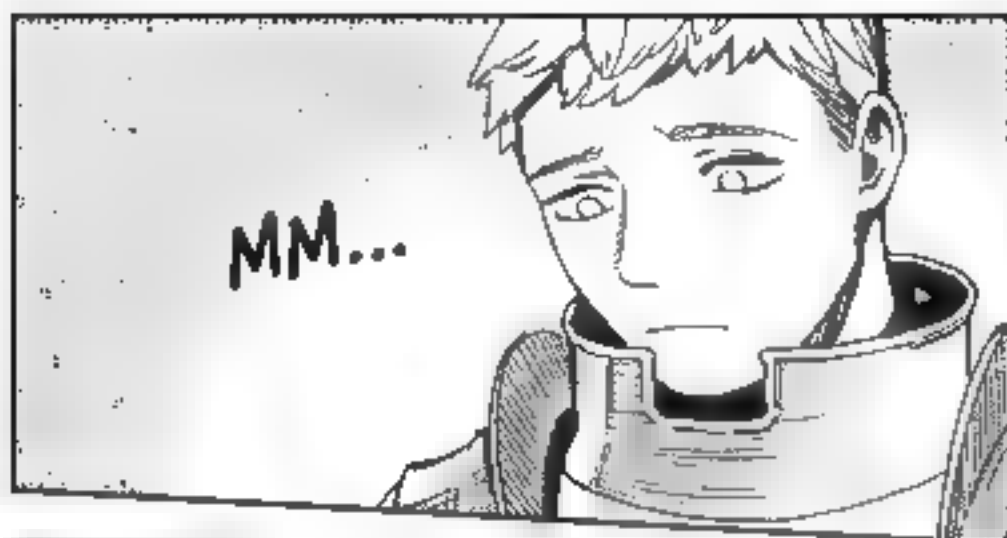
...AND  
THERE WAS  
PLENTY  
OF GUARD  
WORK.



...AND  
HERE I  
AM.

NOW  
THAT'S  
LIVING  
WITHOUT  
A PLAN.





MM...

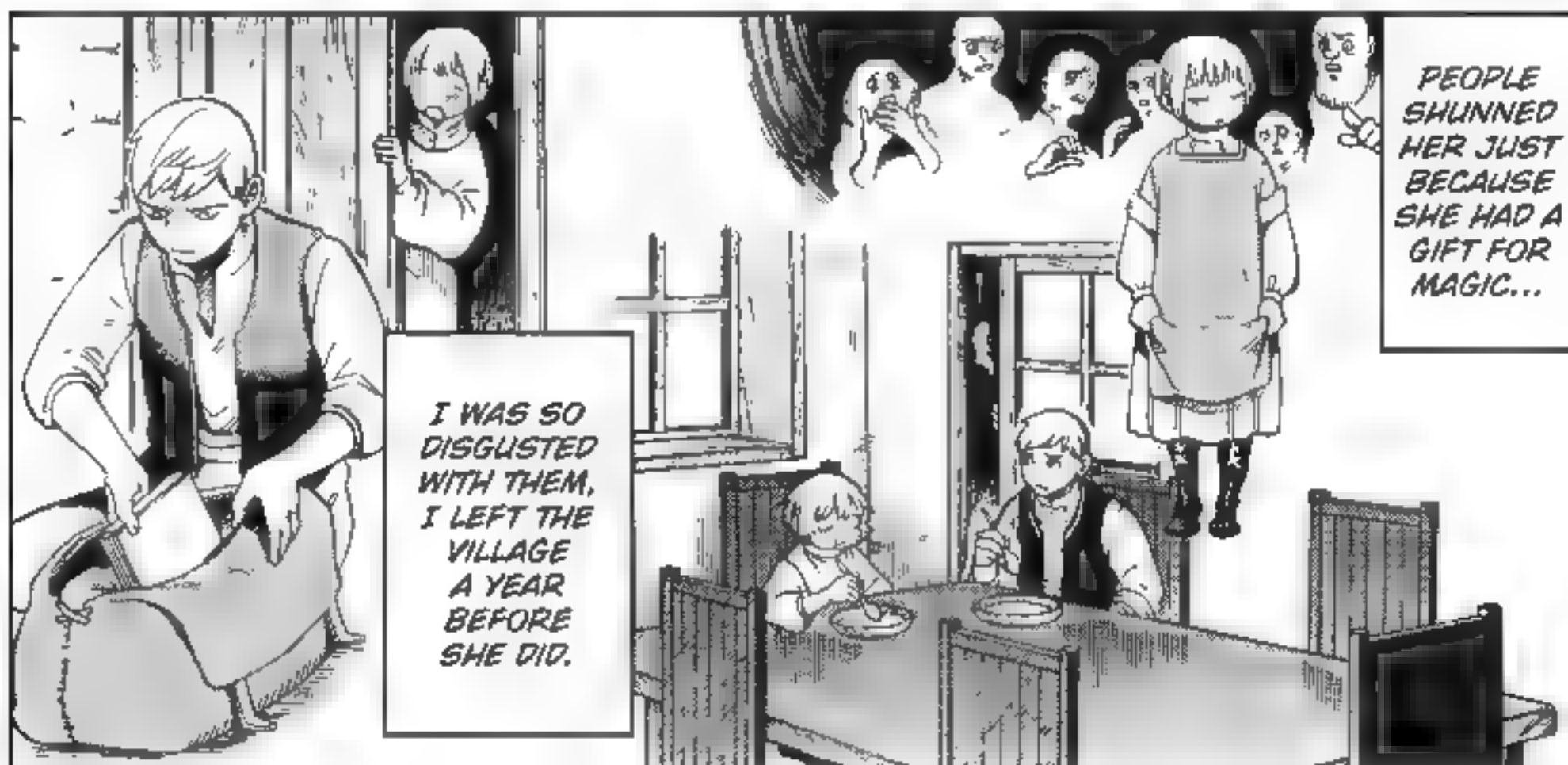


FALIN DIDN'T  
HAVE A  
VERY HAPPY  
CHILDHOOD.



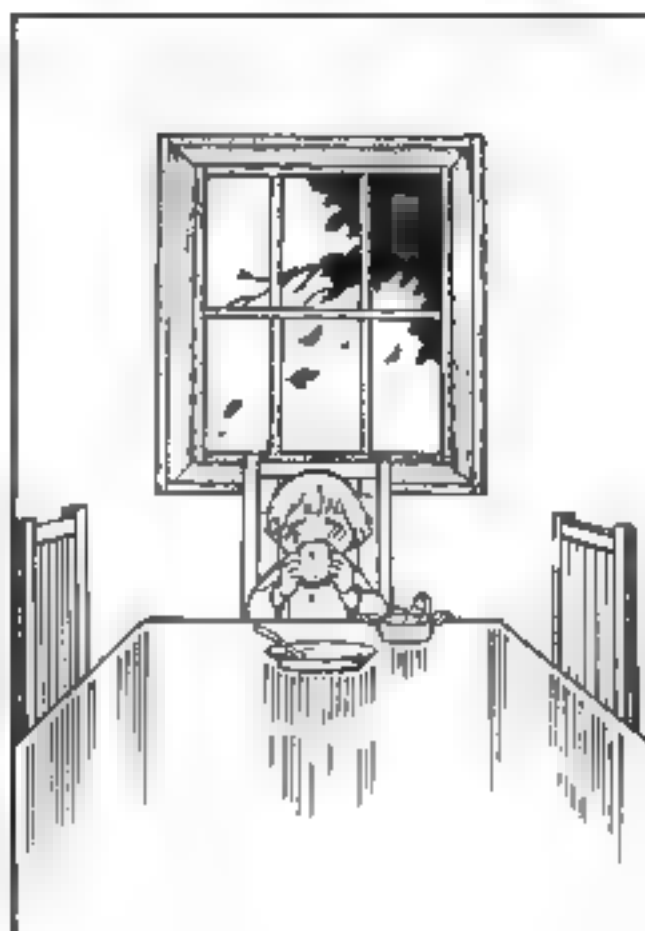
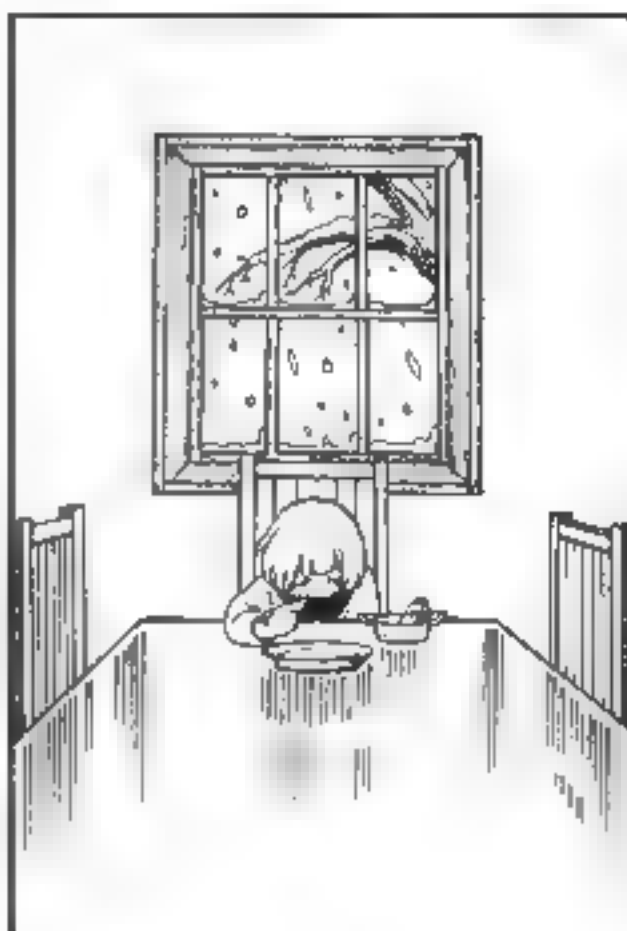
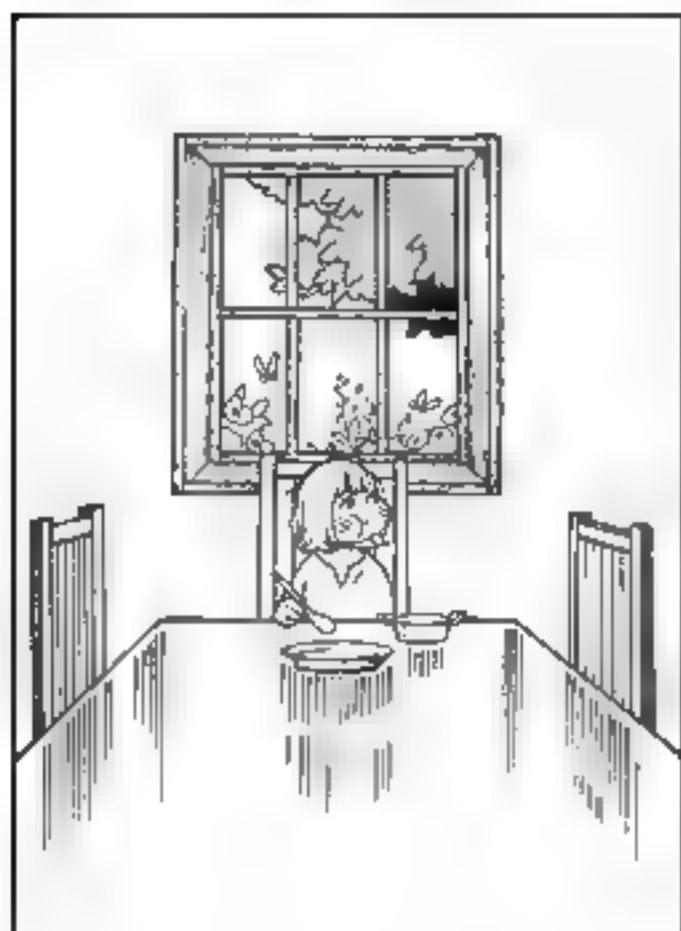
WOULDN'T  
HER LIFE  
HAVE BEEN  
EASIER AT  
SCHOOL?

YOU'RE  
ONE THING,  
BUT WHY  
YOUR  
SISTER?



I WAS SO  
DISGUSTED  
WITH THEM,  
I LEFT THE  
VILLAGE  
A YEAR  
BEFORE  
SHE DID.

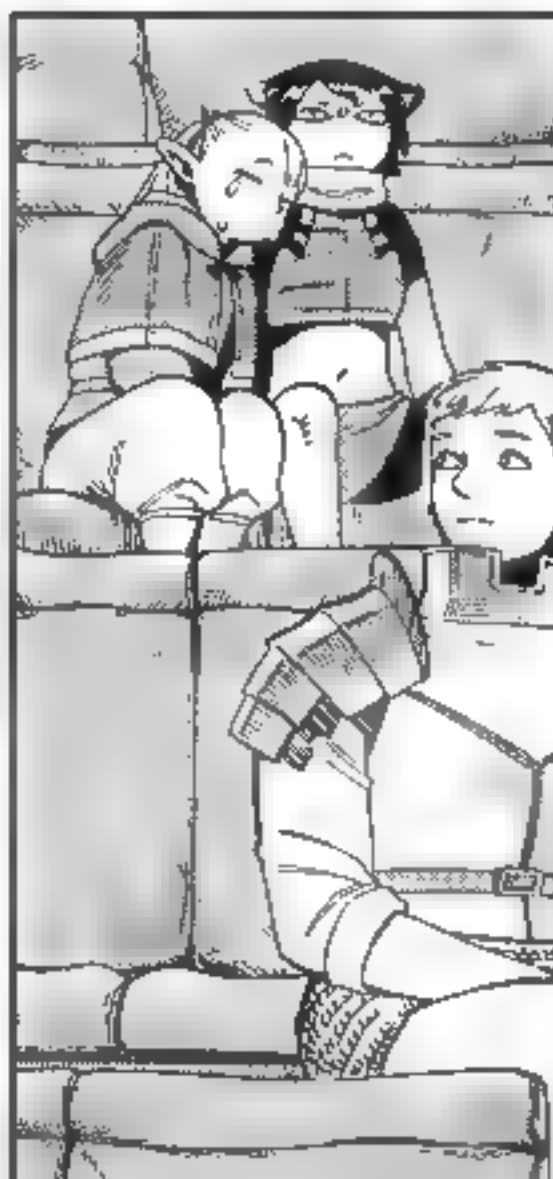
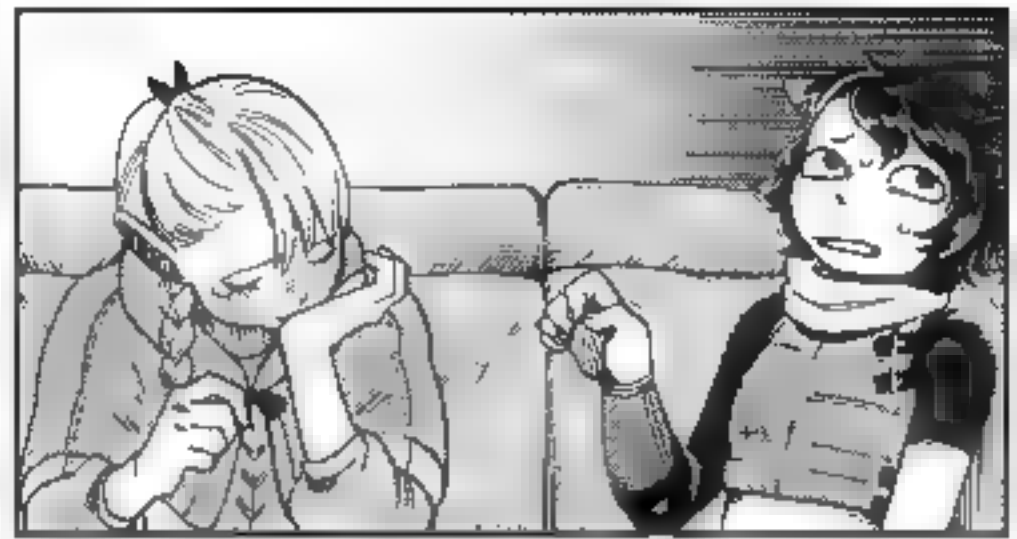
PEOPLE  
SHUNNED  
HER JUST  
BECAUSE  
SHE HAD A  
GIFT FOR  
MAGIC...





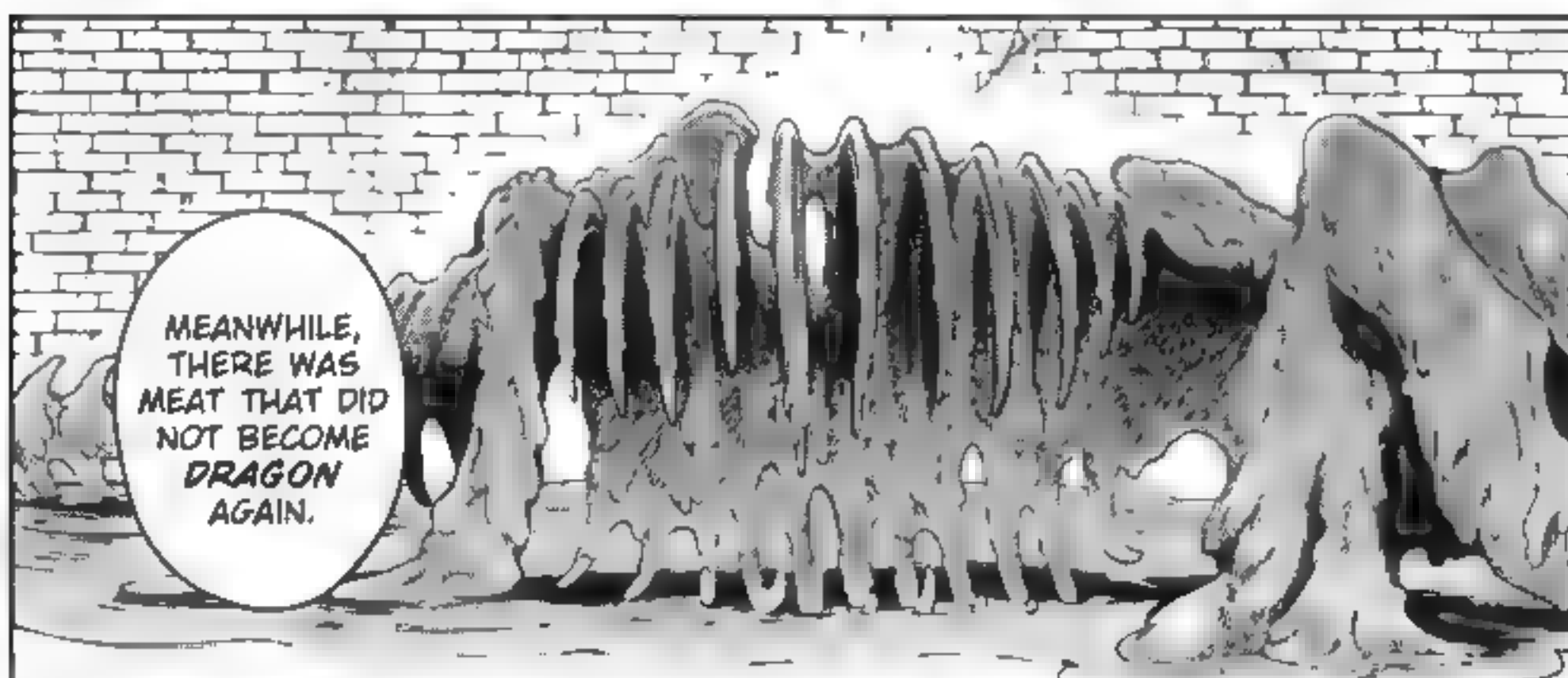
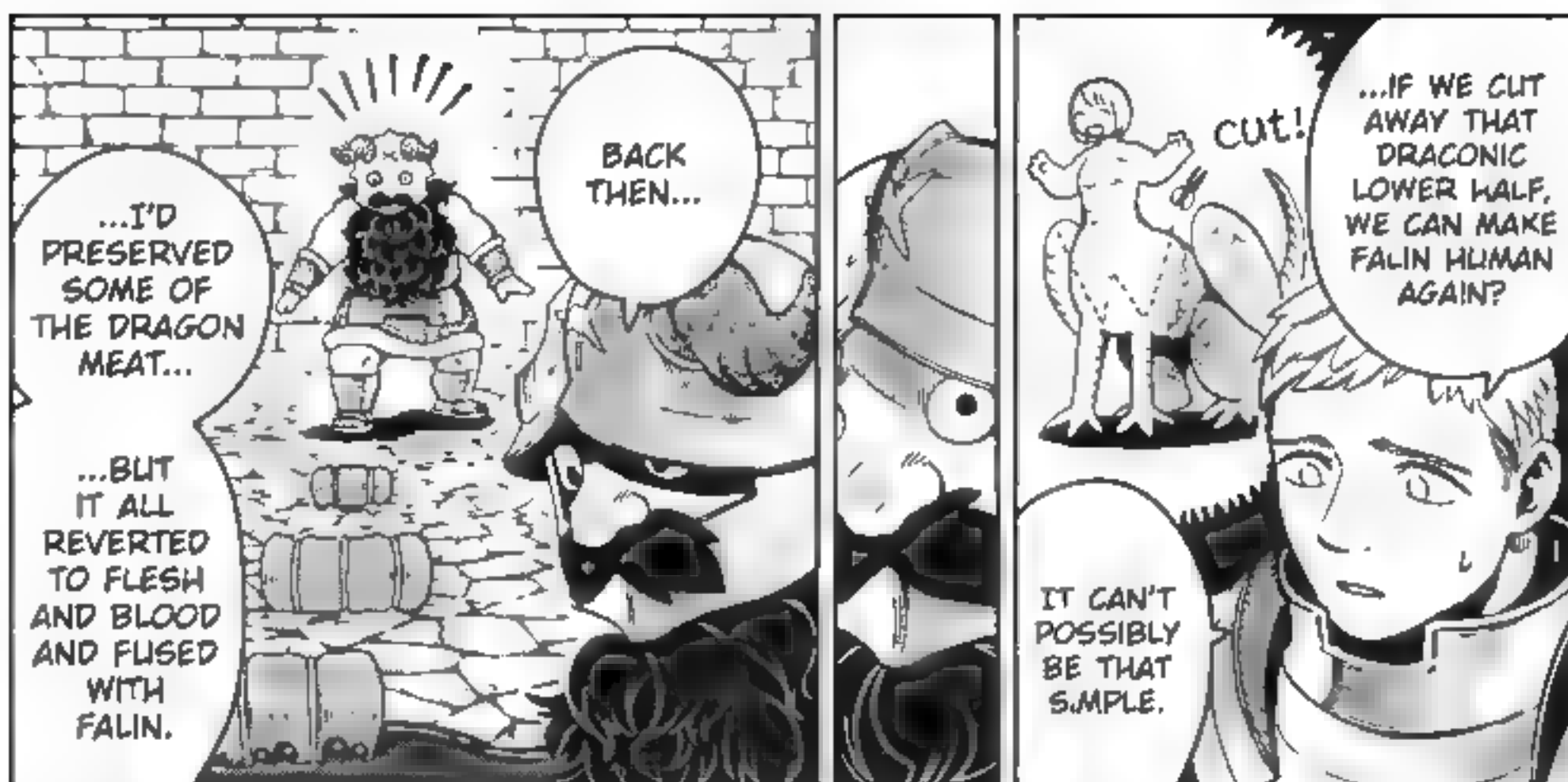


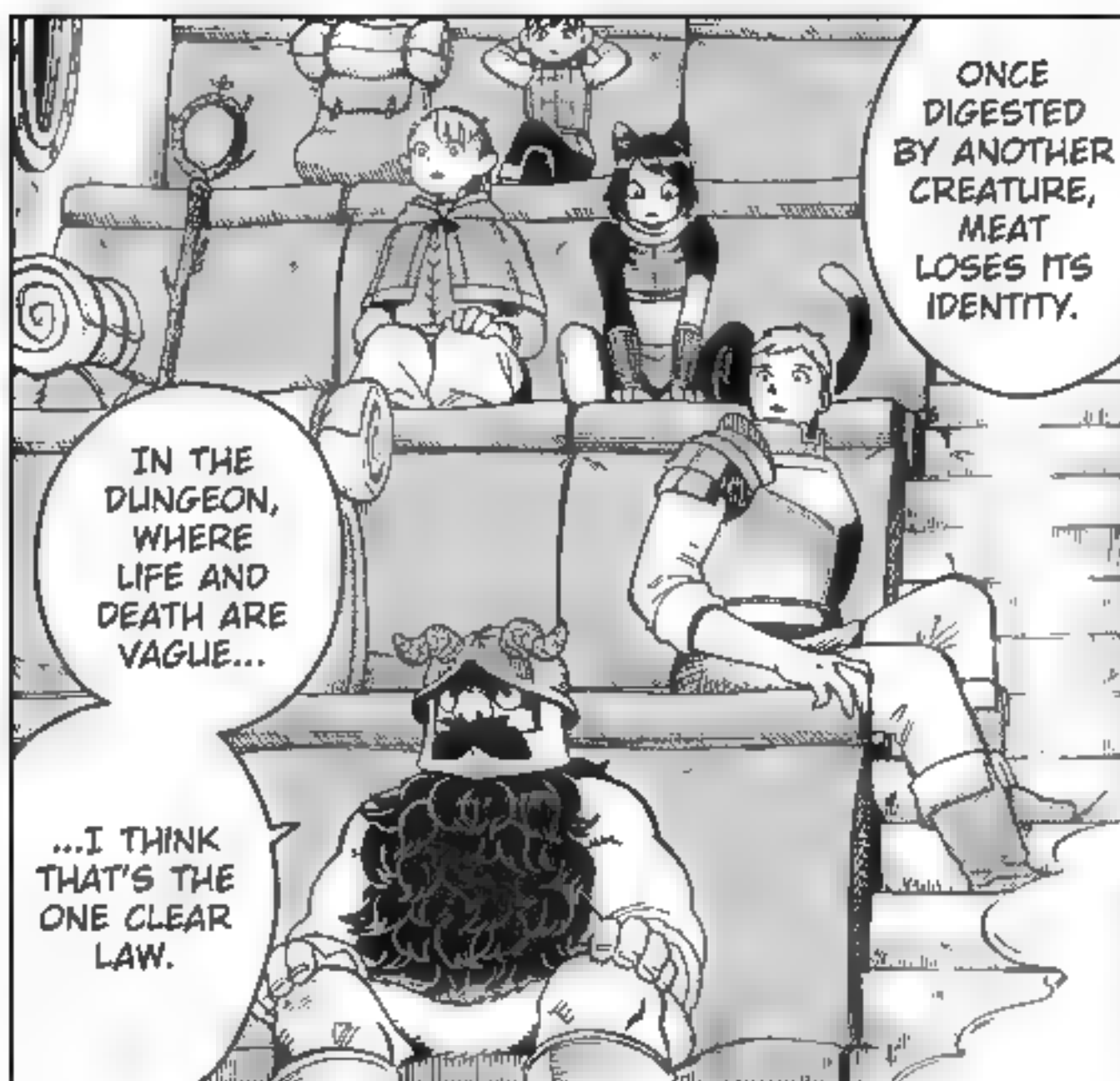












IN THE  
DUNGEON,  
WHERE  
LIFE AND  
DEATH ARE  
VAGUE...

...I THINK  
THAT'S THE  
ONE CLEAR  
LAW.

ONCE  
DIGESTED  
BY ANOTHER  
CREATURE,  
MEAT  
LOSES ITS  
IDENTITY.



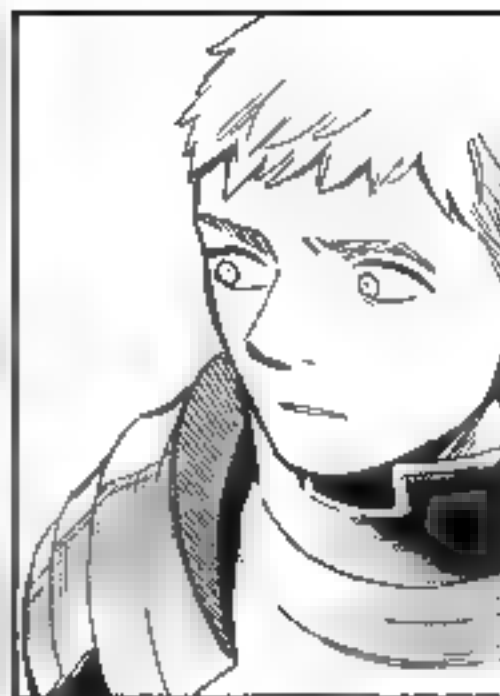
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IN THAT CASE,  
IF WE ATE  
ALL OF THE  
DRAGON...

...COULDN'T WE  
DRIVE THE SOUL  
ITSELF AWAY?





I THOUGHT YOU'D BE AGAINST IT.



BUT FALIN IS ALIVE NOW.







IN TERMS  
OF FALIN'S  
HEALTH  
YOU WILL  
NEVER HAVE  
THAT KIND  
OF TIME

DO I  
LOOK LIKE  
I COULD  
EAT A  
KID?



IT'S  
ENORMOUS  
IF IT'S  
OVER THREE  
TUNS

AND  
THE FIVE OF  
US MANAGE  
ONE KID A  
DAY EACH,  
IT WILL TAKE  
CLOSE TO  
TWO YEARS.



IT'S  
NOT AS IF  
YOU HAVE  
NONE

DOESN'T  
ANYONE  
COME TO  
MIND?

HERE

YOU  
THINK  
I HAVE  
FRIENDS?



ASK  
OTHERS  
TO HELP,  
THEN

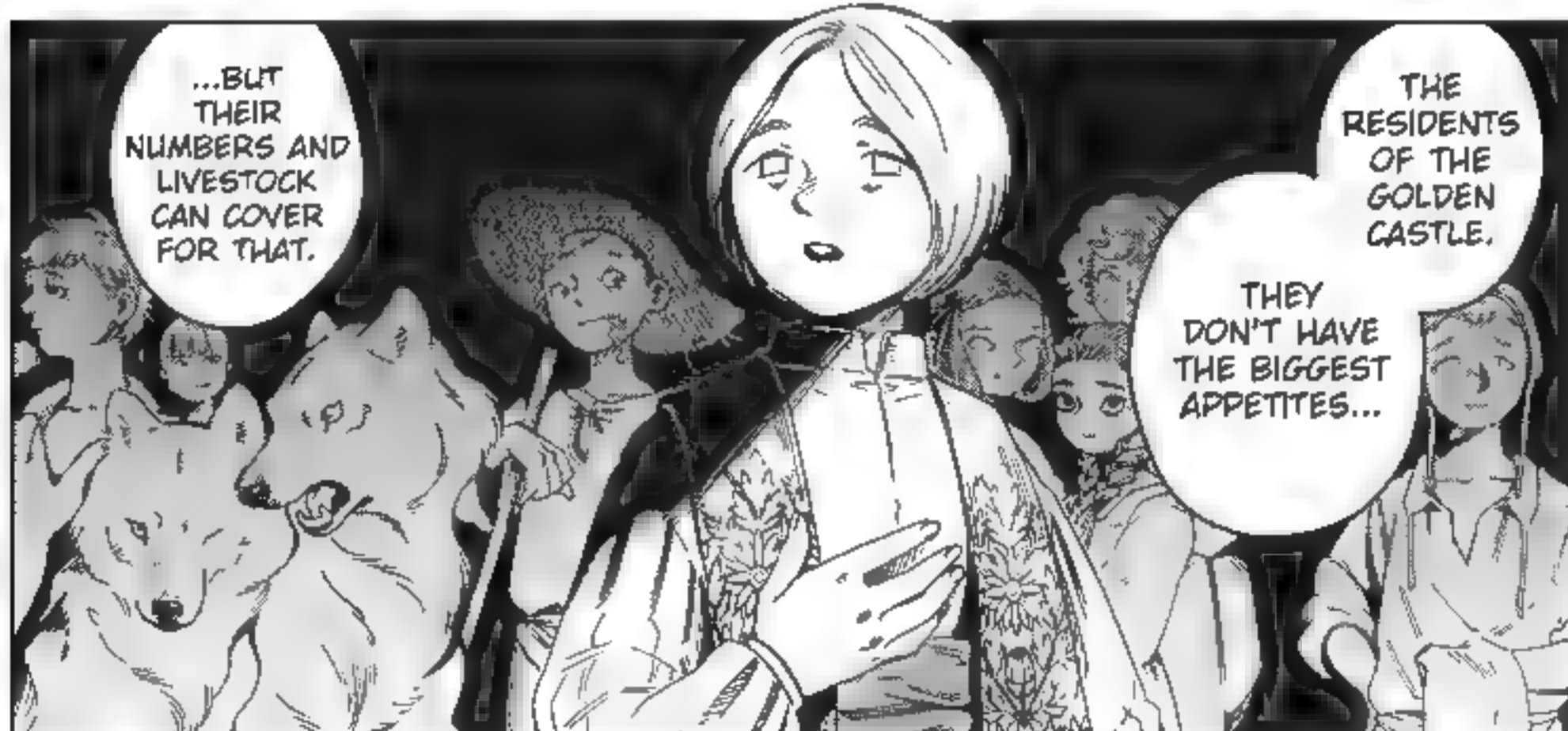
THIS IS  
WHERE THE  
NETWORK  
YOU'VE  
BUILT  
COMES IN





THEY SEEM  
LIKE THEY'D  
EAT A LOT,  
SO THAT'S  
PROMISING.

THE  
ORCS.



...BUT  
THEIR  
NUMBERS AND  
LIVESTOCK  
CAN COVER  
FOR THAT.

THE  
RESIDENTS  
OF THE  
GOLDEN  
CASTLE.

THEY  
DON'T HAVE  
THE BIGGEST  
APPETITES...



OH!  
KABRU ALSO  
SEEMED  
INTERESTED  
IN EATING  
MONSTERS.



WE'LL  
WHAT?

THEN  
THERE'S  
NAMARI AND  
SHURO'S  
GROUP.

IF  
WE APPEAL  
TO THEIR  
EMOTIONS,  
THOSE TWO  
WILL COME  
THROUGH.



I'D LIKE ANOTHER COMPANY OF SOLDIERS, BUT...

WELL, AT LEAST OUR GOALS ARE CLEAR NOW.

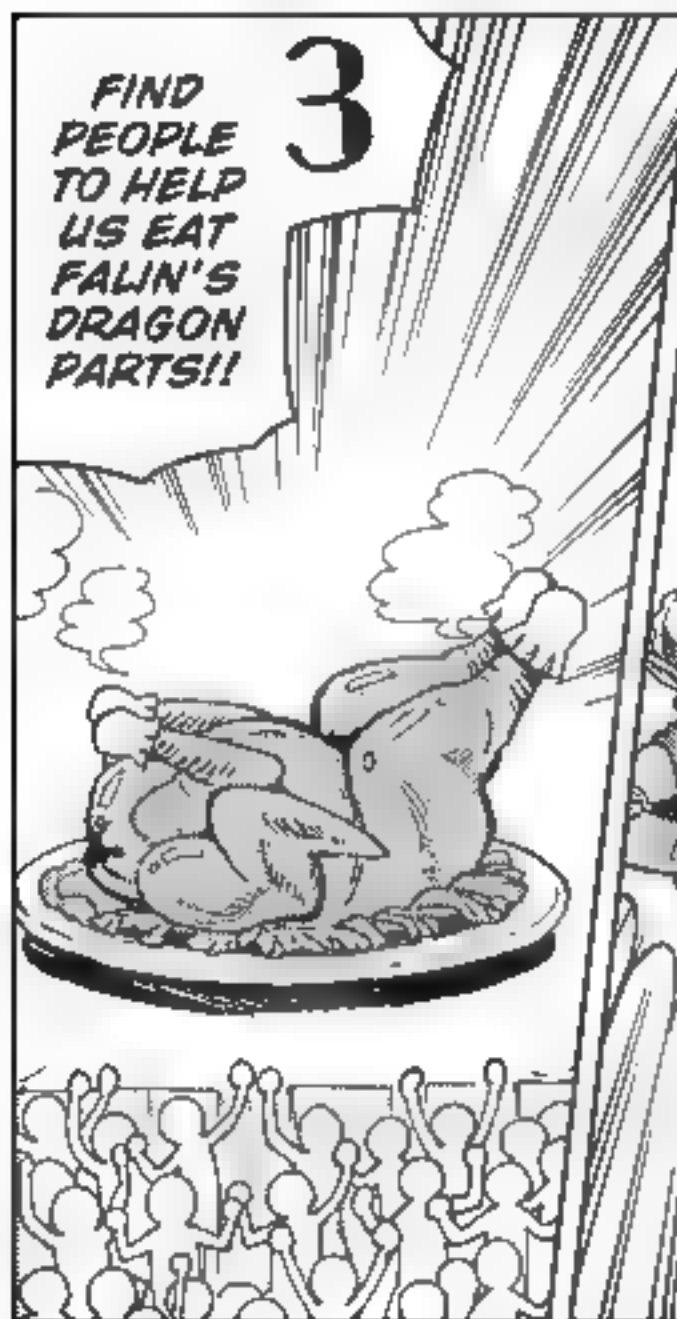


SEE? YOU DO HAVE SOME.

NOWHERE NEAR ENOUGH TO EAT IT ALL.



...AT THE MOMENT, THAT'S ABOUT IT.



**3**  
FIND PEOPLE TO HELP US EAT FALIN'S DRAGON PARTS!!



**2**  
WITH ITS HELP, NEUTRALIZE THE LUNATIC MAGICIAN!!



**1**  
FREE THE WINGED LION FROM THE DUNGEON'S HEART!!



YOU WON'T FIND ANY COMPANIES IN THE DUNGEON.

THAT'S GOING TO BE ONE HECK OF A PARTY.

ALL OF A SUDDEN, I FEEL LIKE THIS'LL WORK...





YOU'LL SEE.

CHANGED?

IT'S CHANGED QUITE A LOT WHILE YOU WERE DOWN IN IT.



...I BET THEY'RE CHANGES THE LOT BEHIND US WON'T LIKE.

WELL, IF NOTHING ELSE...



THE AIR IN THE DUNGEON IS STAGNANT.

WHAT IS THIS BAD FEELING? IT CLINGS TO YOU





53. ON FLOOR ONE -1-







...THE  
ECONOMY  
TURNS,  
AND MORE  
PEOPLE  
SHOW  
UP.

MORE  
PEOPLE  
ARE  
BUNKING  
DOWN IN  
HERE.

PEOPLE  
COME TO  
TRADE WITH  
THEM...



THEY SAY  
THERE'S  
GOLD EVEN  
ON FLOOR  
ONE  
LATELY ..

...SO  
MORE  
PEOPLE  
CAME. THE  
TOWN'S  
PACKED.



IF  
EVEN A  
FEW MORE  
PEOPLE  
COME DOWN  
HERE,  
THEN...

IT'S  
JUST LIKE  
BACK  
THEN. ALL  
OF IT.

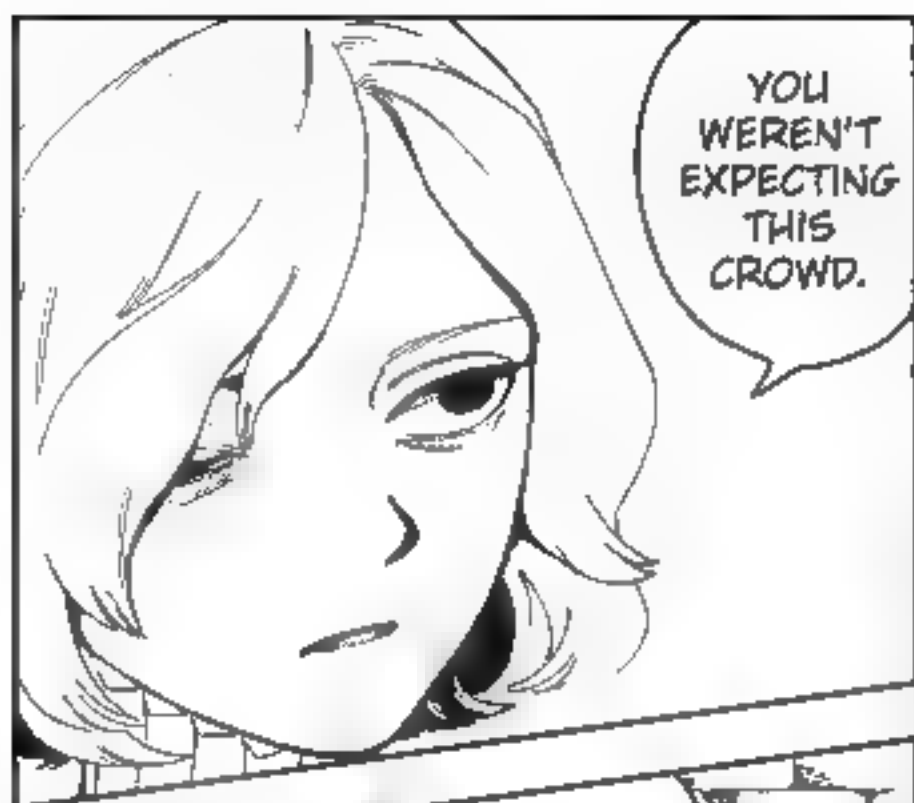


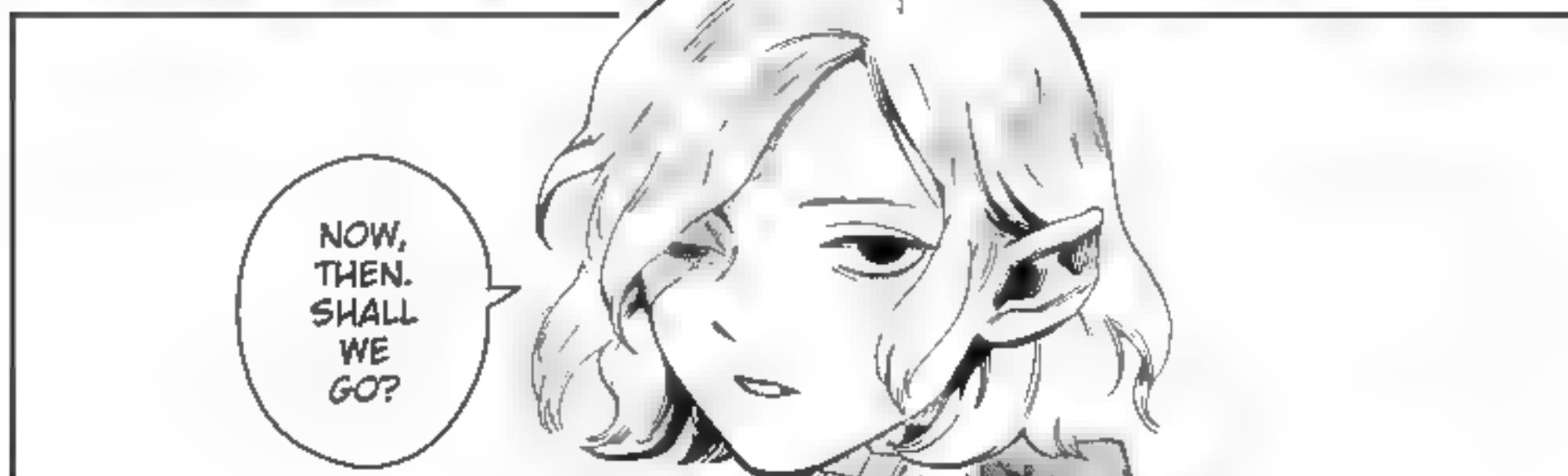
—SO?



ZOWA  
(SHIVER)









CAPTAIN



ZA  
(STRIDE)



THAT'S  
THE EN-  
TRANCE.



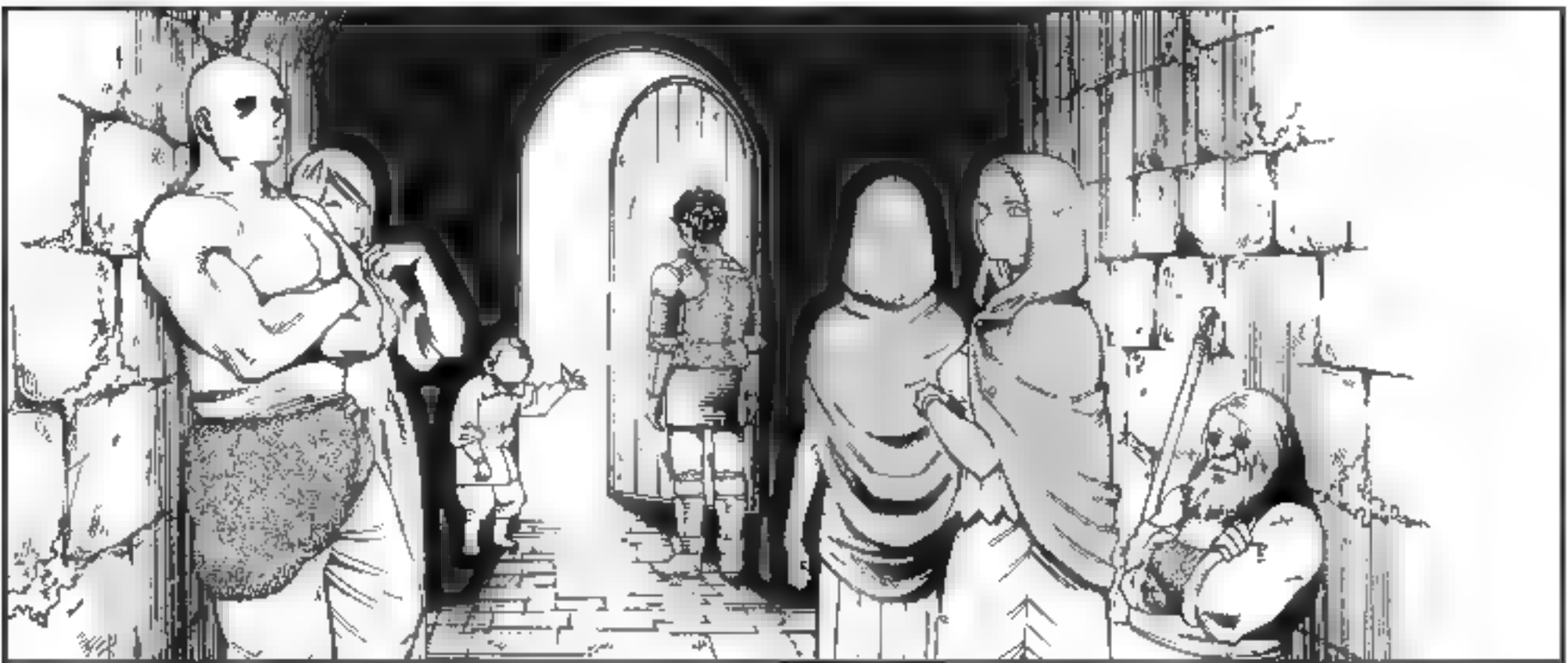
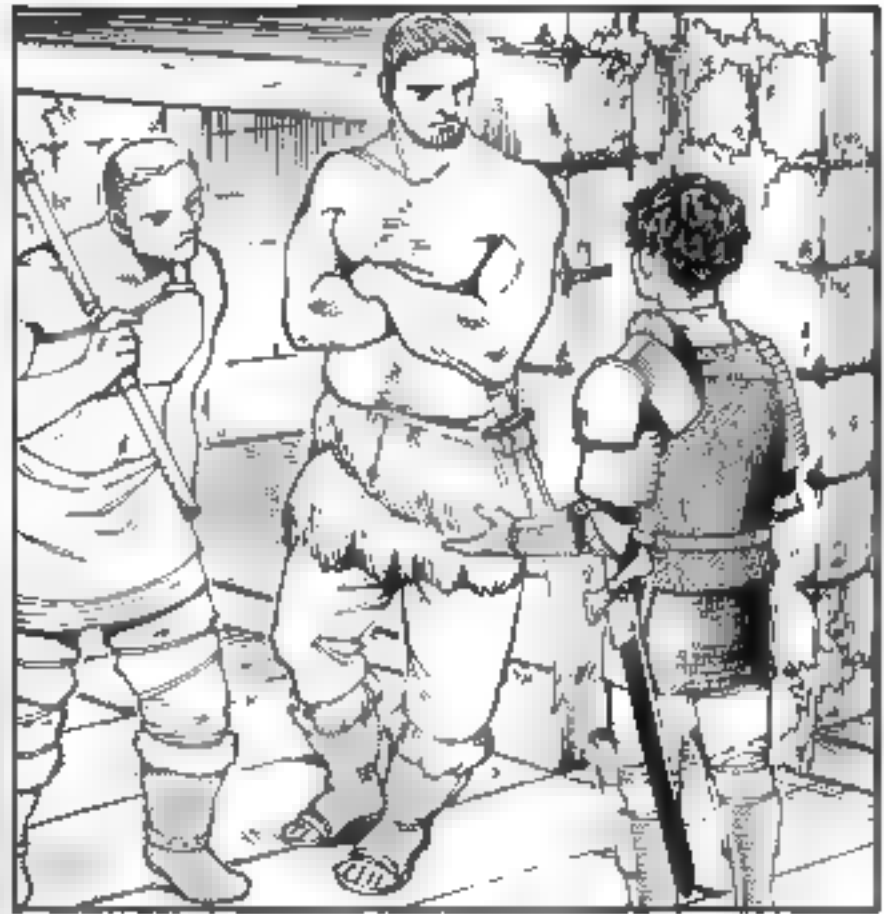
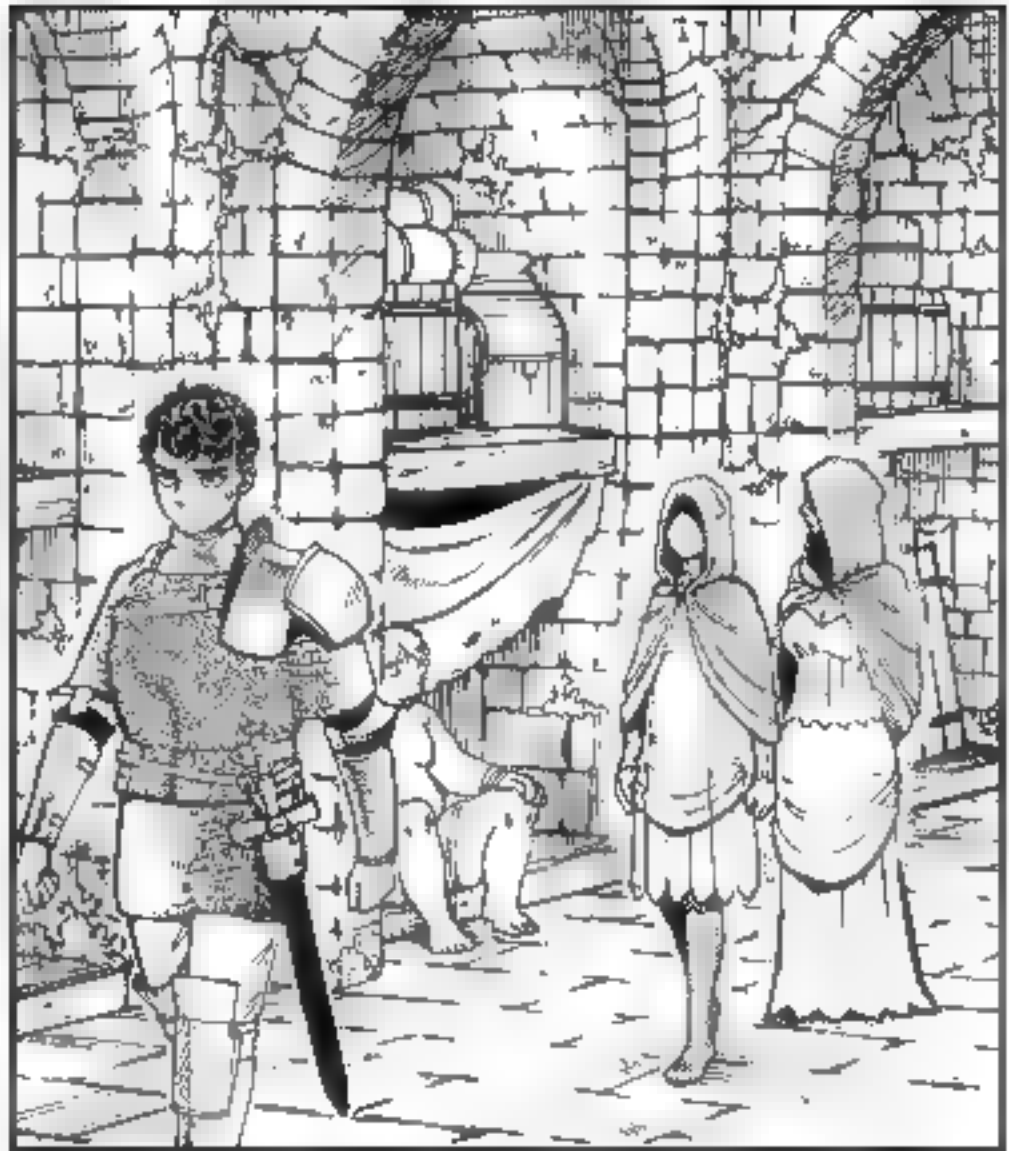
YOUR JOB IS  
EXPLORING  
DUNGEONS,  
AND YOUR  
CAPTAIN HAS  
NO SENSE OF  
DIRECTION!?

ARE THEY  
REALLY THE  
CANARIES?



ZA  
ザ







KABRU!

IT'S  
BEEN  
AGES,  
MY  
BOY!



ENTRY  
RESTRICTED!

WHERE  
ARE DAYA  
AND THE  
OTHERS  
TODAY?

THEY'RE  
UP TOP  
WORKING A  
FEW OTHER  
JOBS FOR  
ME.

PON  
(THUMP)

YOU  
ALWAYS  
BRING ME  
LUCK.

IT'S  
GOOD TO  
SEE YOU.

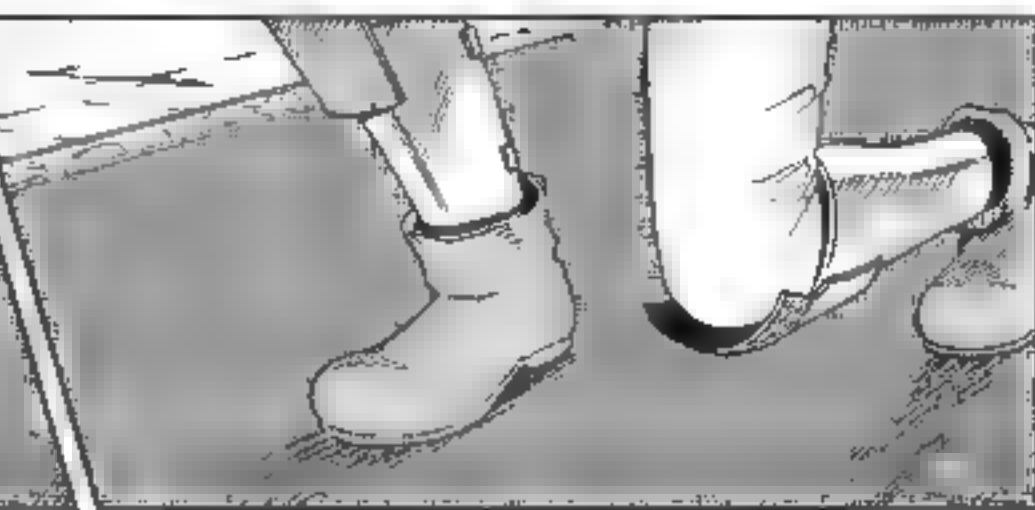
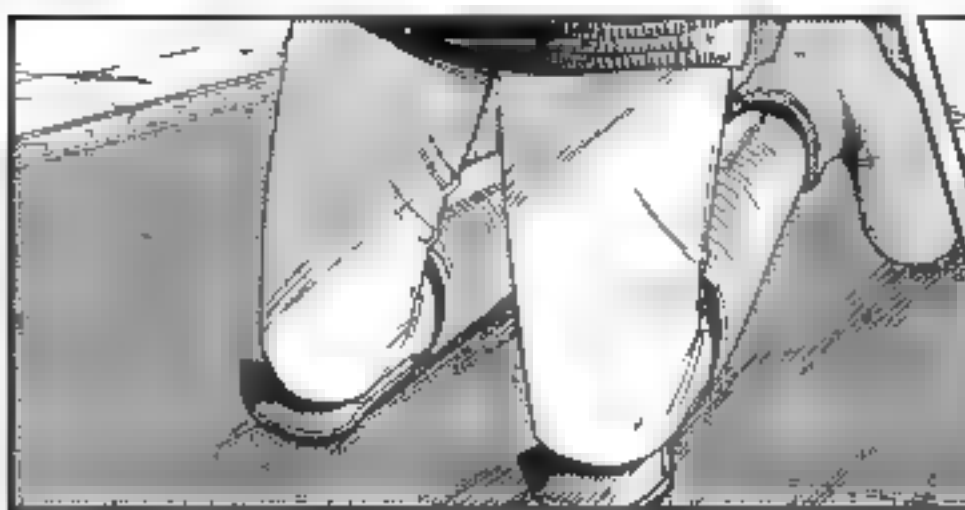


YOU'VE  
BROUGHT  
SOME  
INTERESTING  
FRIENDS  
TODAY.











...I DON'T CARE.



WHAT GOOD IS A DUNGEON WITH NOTHING BUT WALKING MUSH-ROOMS?

IF THE DUNGEON WEAKENS, WILL WE BE ABLE TO HARVEST AS MUCH GOLD AS WE DO NOW?

EXPANSION, MONSTERS...

WHAT OF IT?



NO ONE CAN RUN US OUT OF HERE.

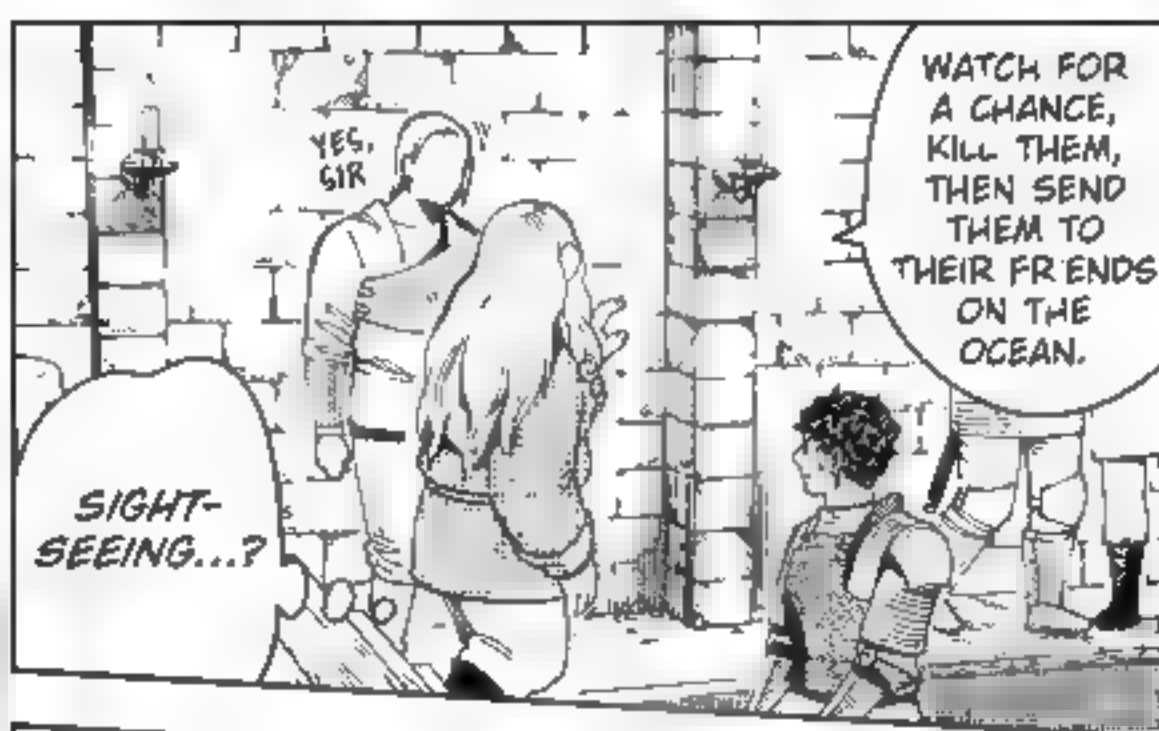
THAT INCLUDES YOU, ELVES.

THE PEOPLE WHO CRAWL AROUND THE DUNGEON...

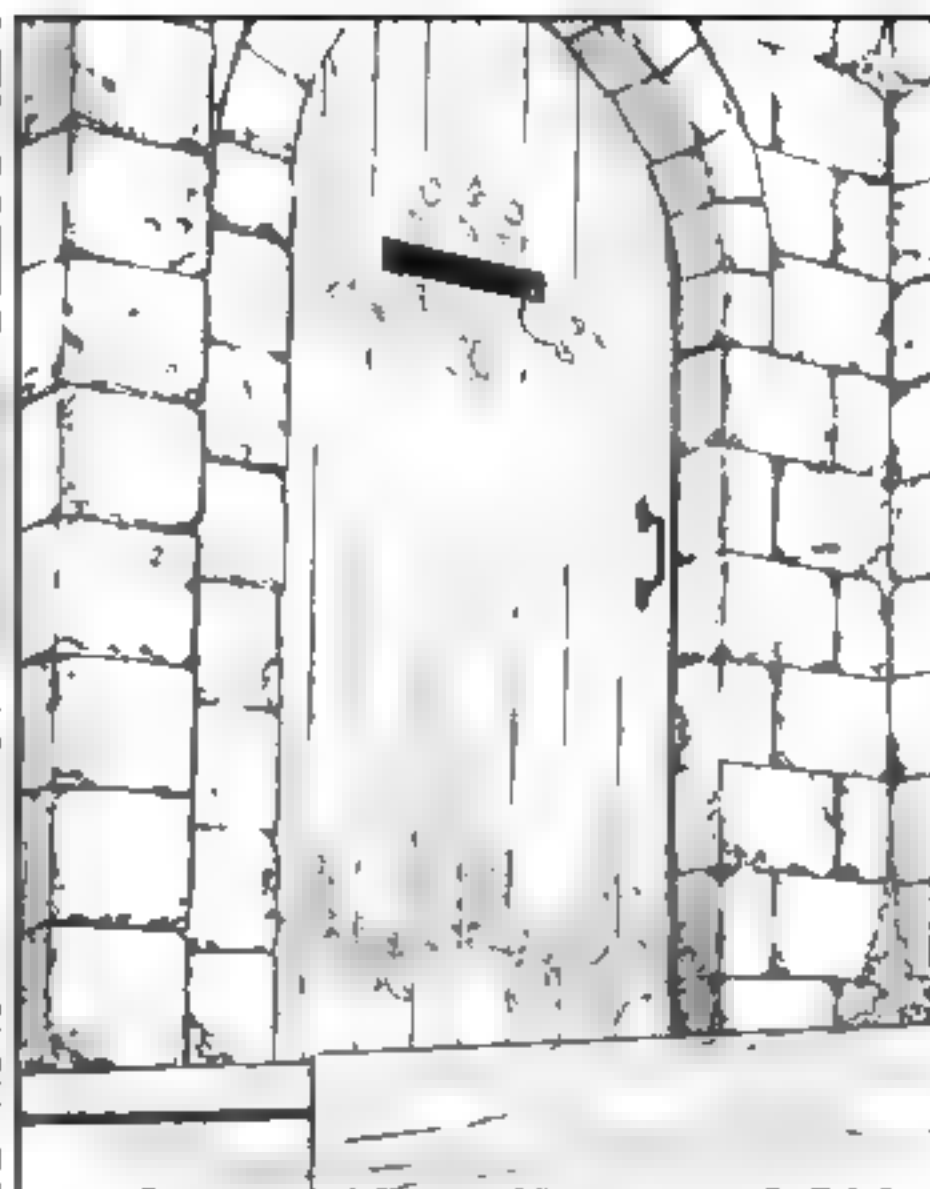
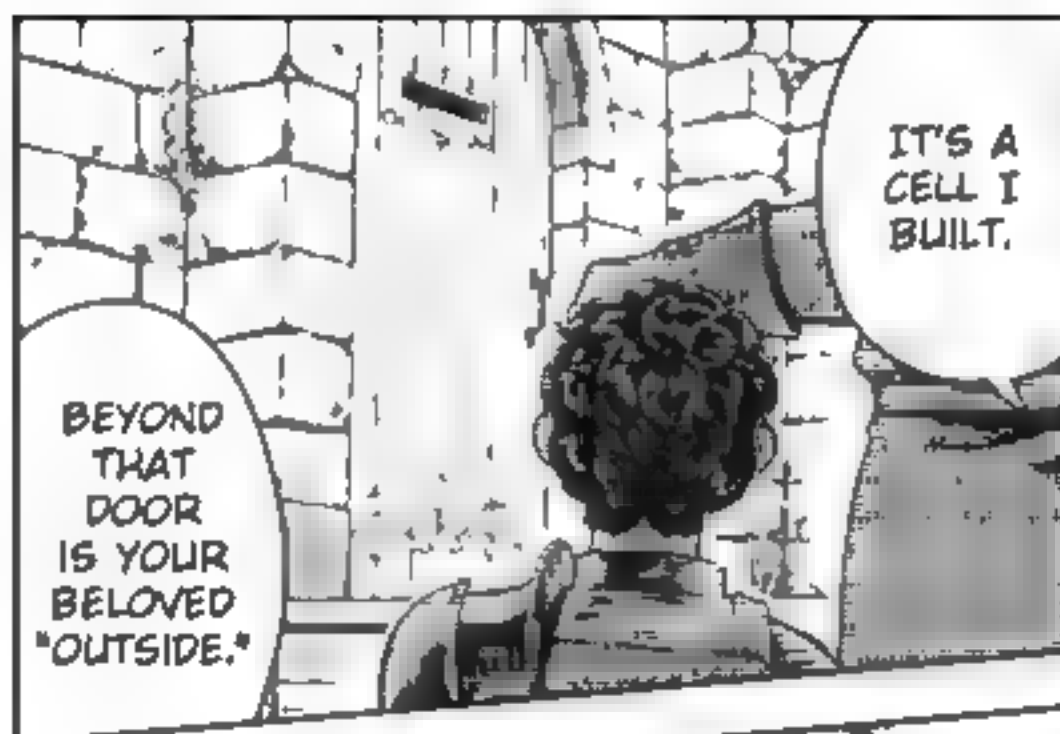
...AREN'T JUST DOING IT TO EARN THEIR DAILY BREAD.

LISTEN, BOY. IN HERE, FELLOWS WHO'VE NEVER ONCE SLEPT UNDER A ROOF...

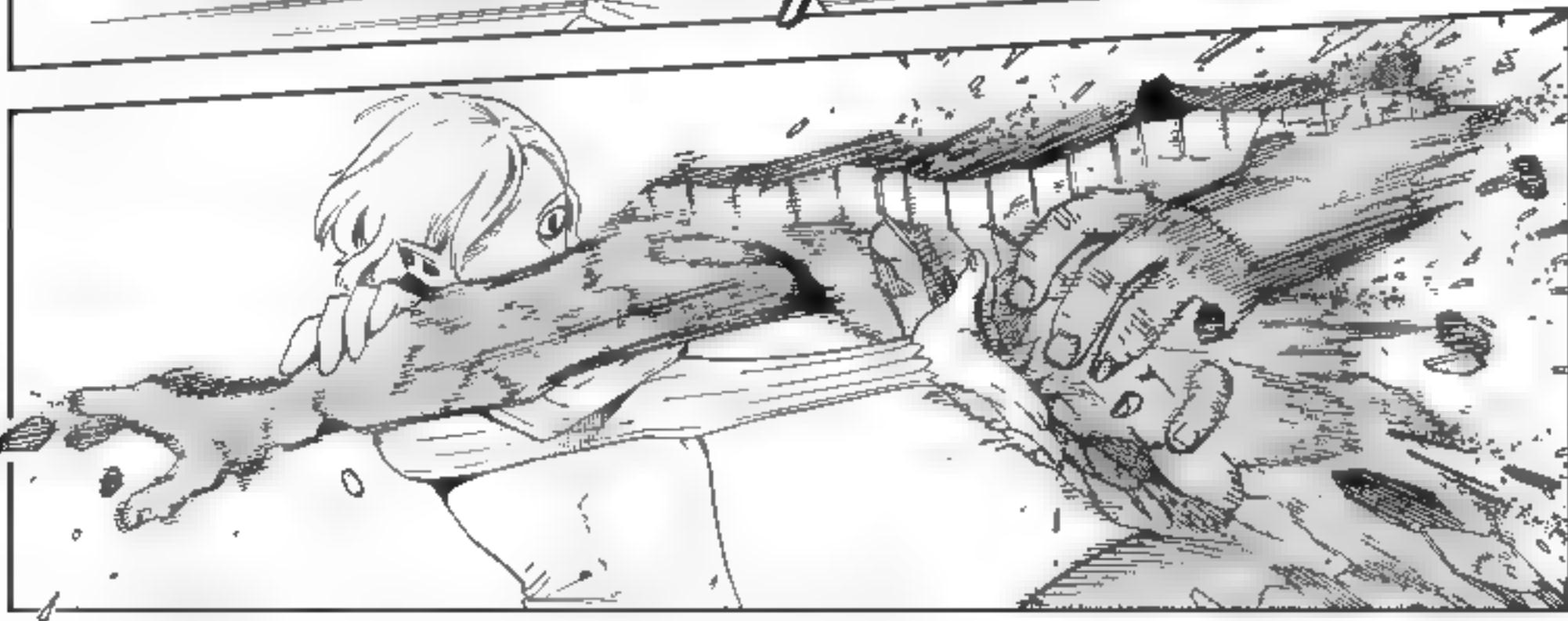
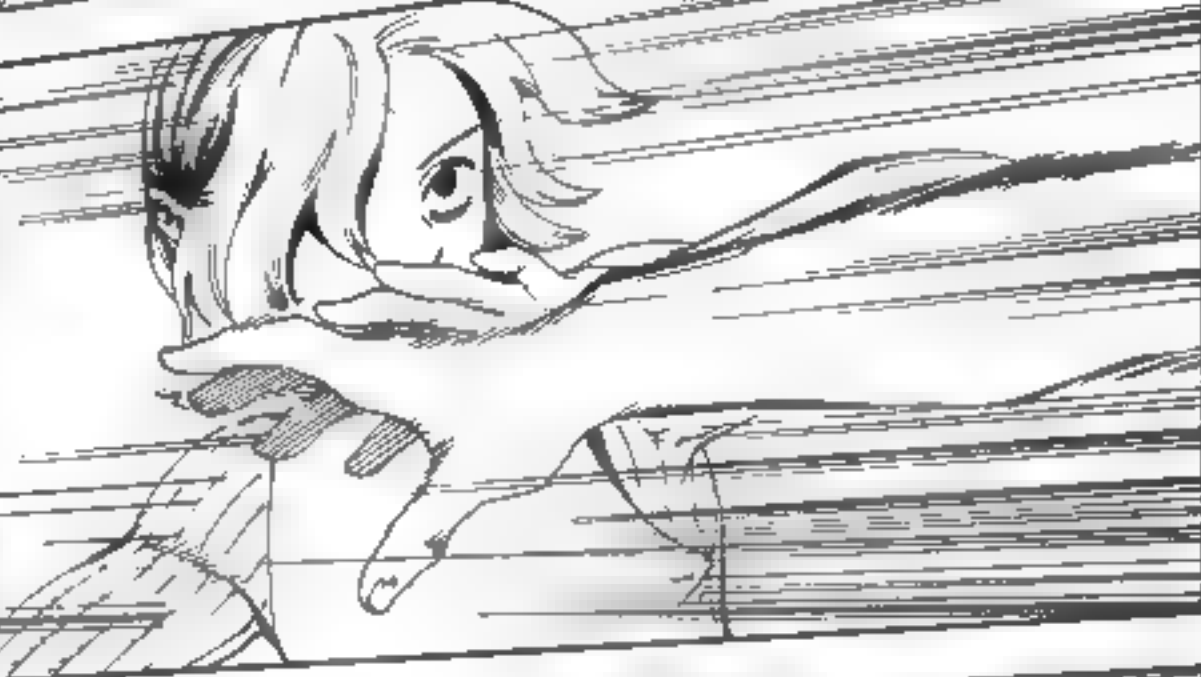
...CAN EARN ENOUGH TO BUY A SHIP IN A SINGLE NIGHT.



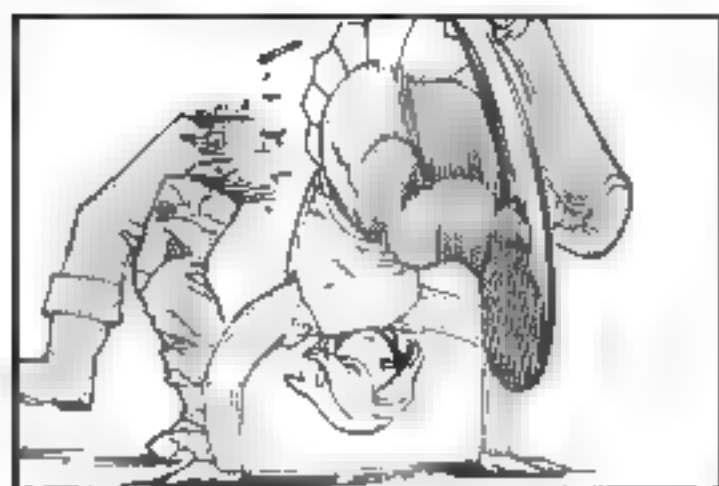




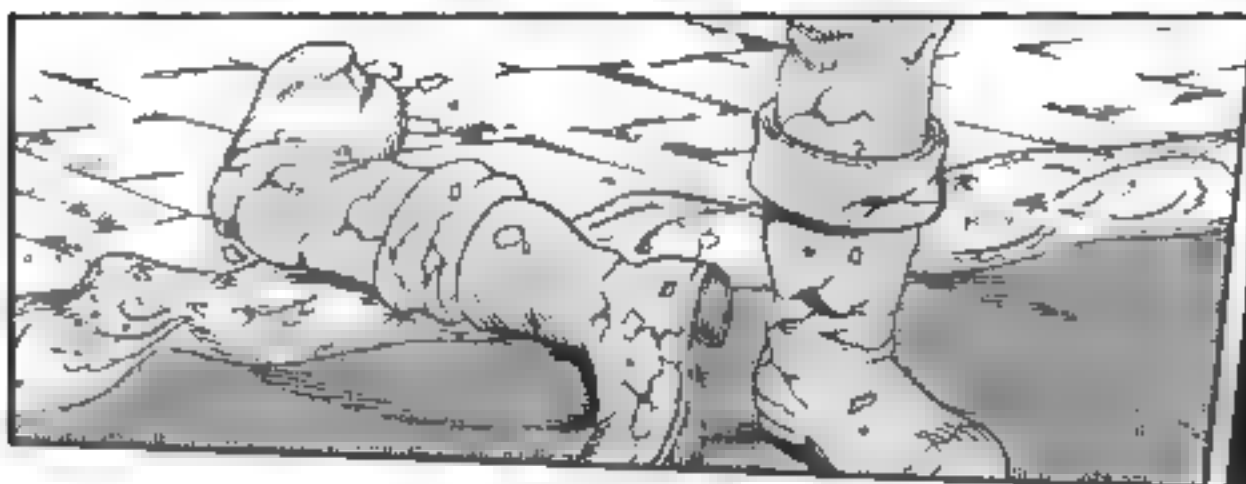




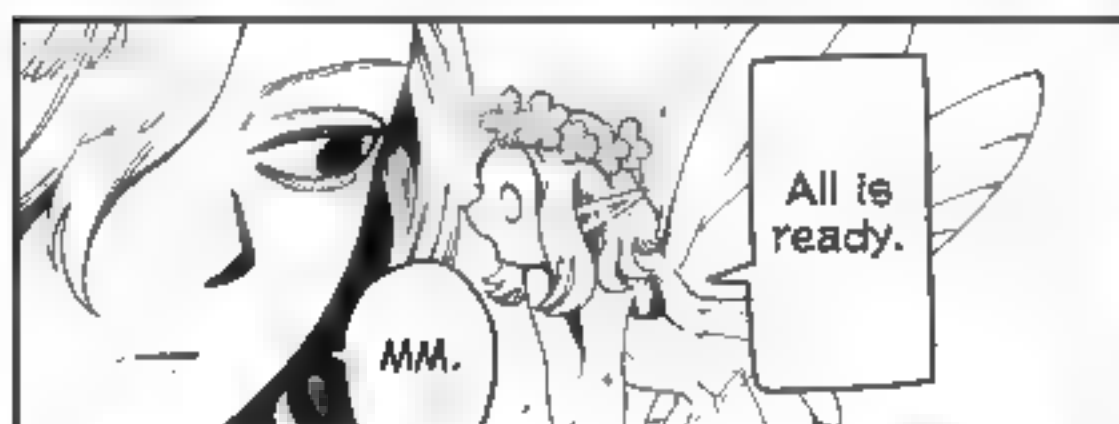


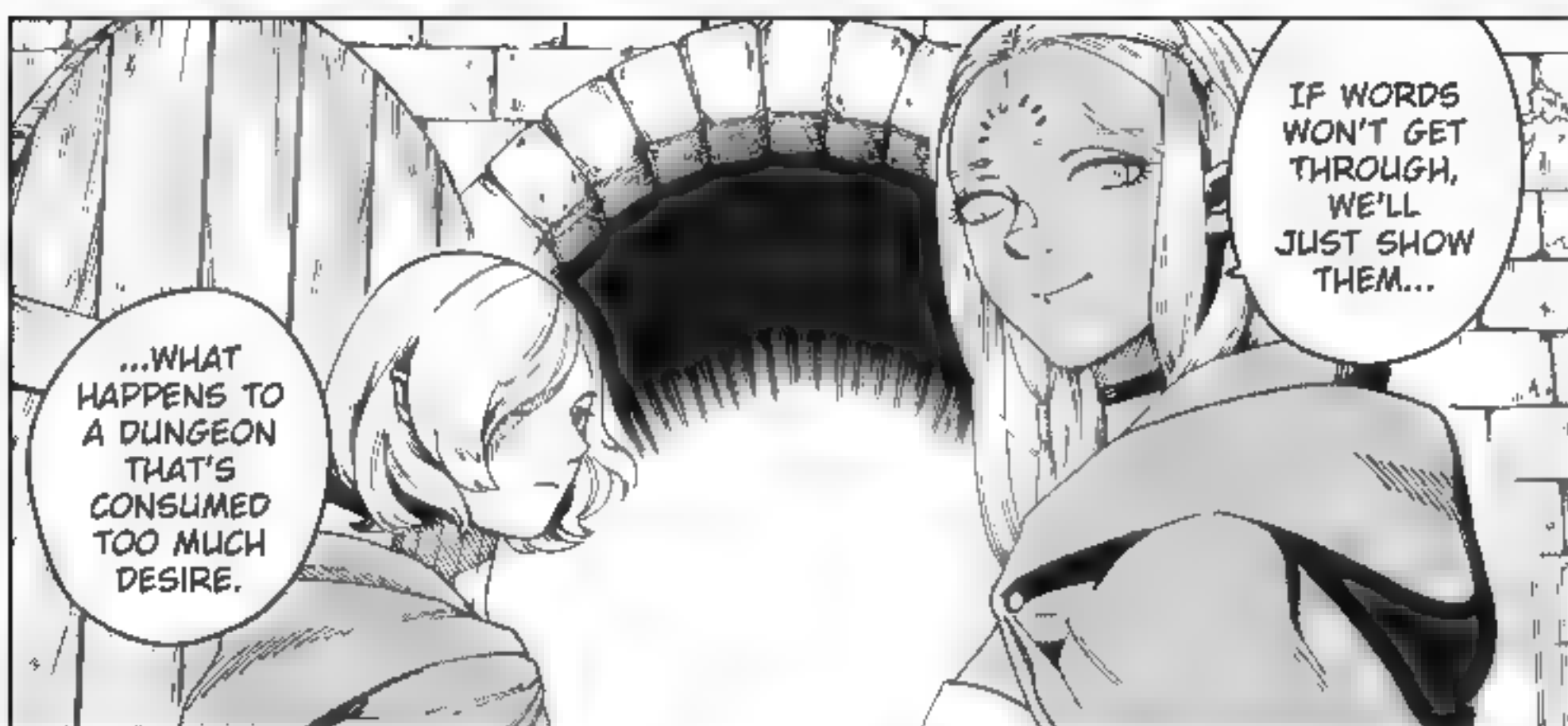












# HOW TO RAISE A DUNGEON

## DUNGEON MATURITY *LV. 1*

Discovered by humans.  
Most are ancient ruins, but some occur naturally.

IF ONLY WE COULD SEIZE THEM AT THIS STAGE, LIFE WOULD BE EASY

## DUNGEON MATURITY *LV. 2*

Valuable items are found, and the number of adventurers and scholars increases. Trade flourishes, and nearby towns prosper.

AS YOU'D FIGURE, I GUESS.

## DUNGEON MATURITY *LV. 3*

Excavation advances, and fewer finds are made on the surface levels. Those with skills head deeper in search of profit, but the number of new adventurers dwindles.

SOMETIMES DEMIHUMANS MOVE IN AND CAUSE TROUBLE

## DUNGEON MATURITY *LV. 4*

The interior of the dungeon shifts, and valuables are discovered on the shallow levels again. There's a general increase in powerful monsters.

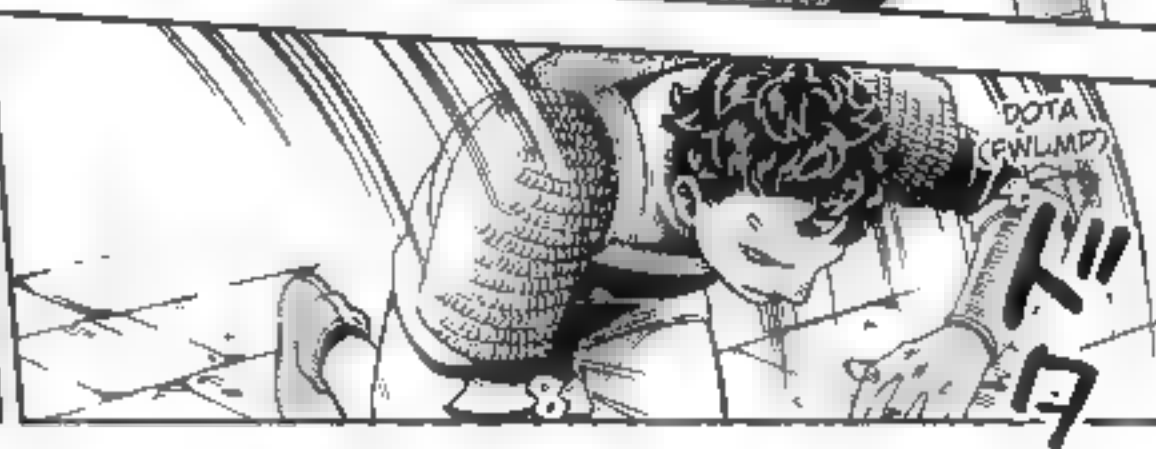
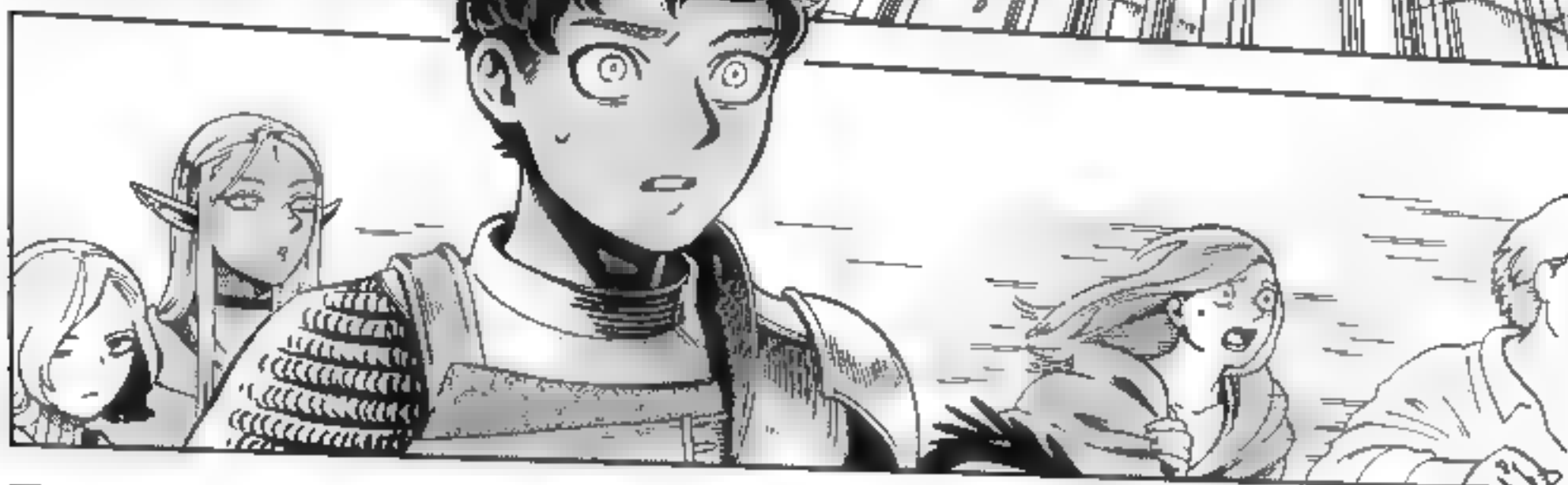
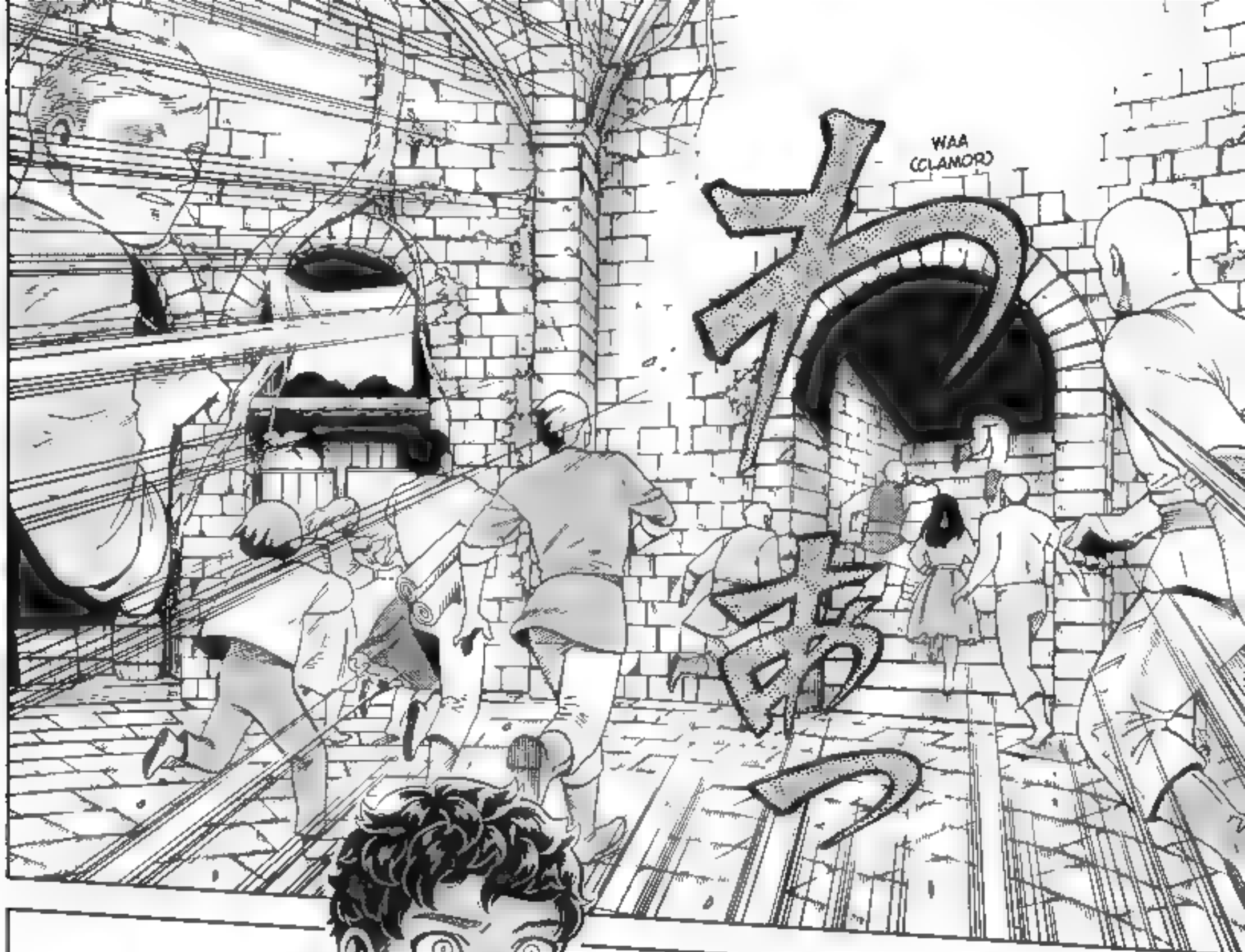
WE'D LIKE TO GET THINGS UNDER CONTROL RIGHT ABOUT HERE

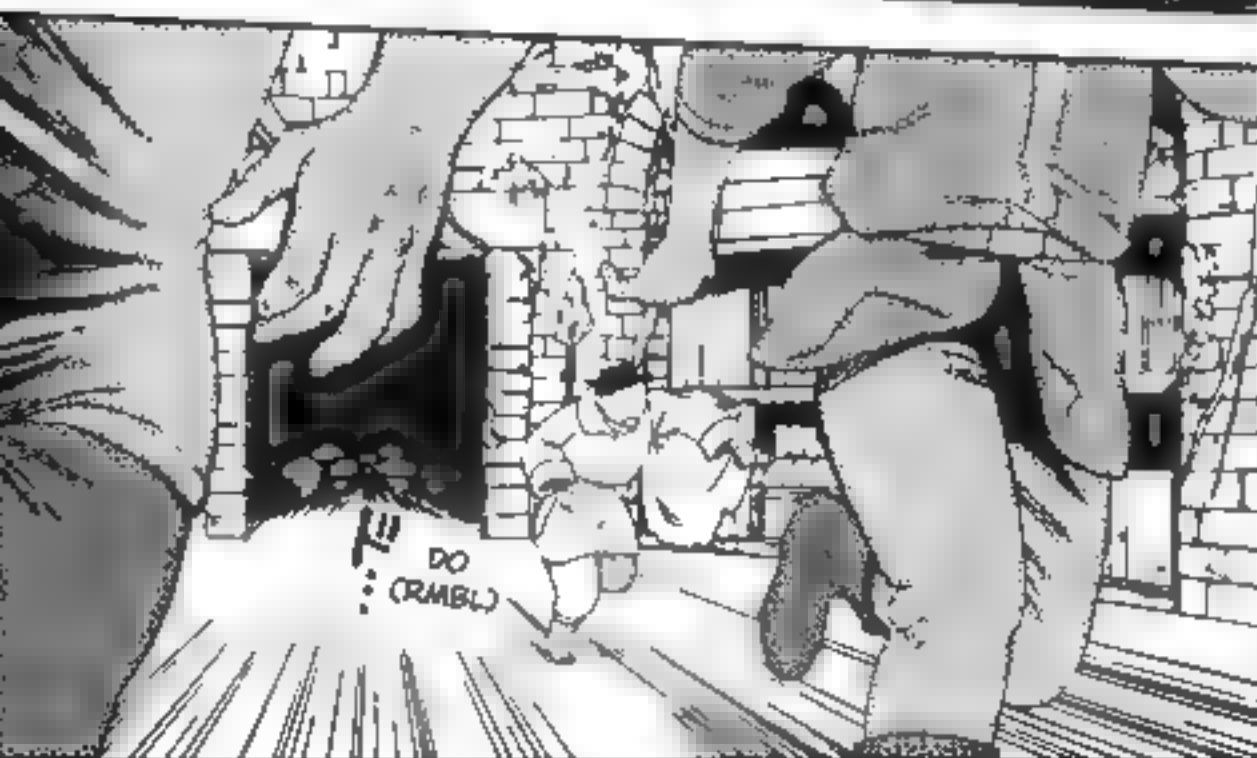
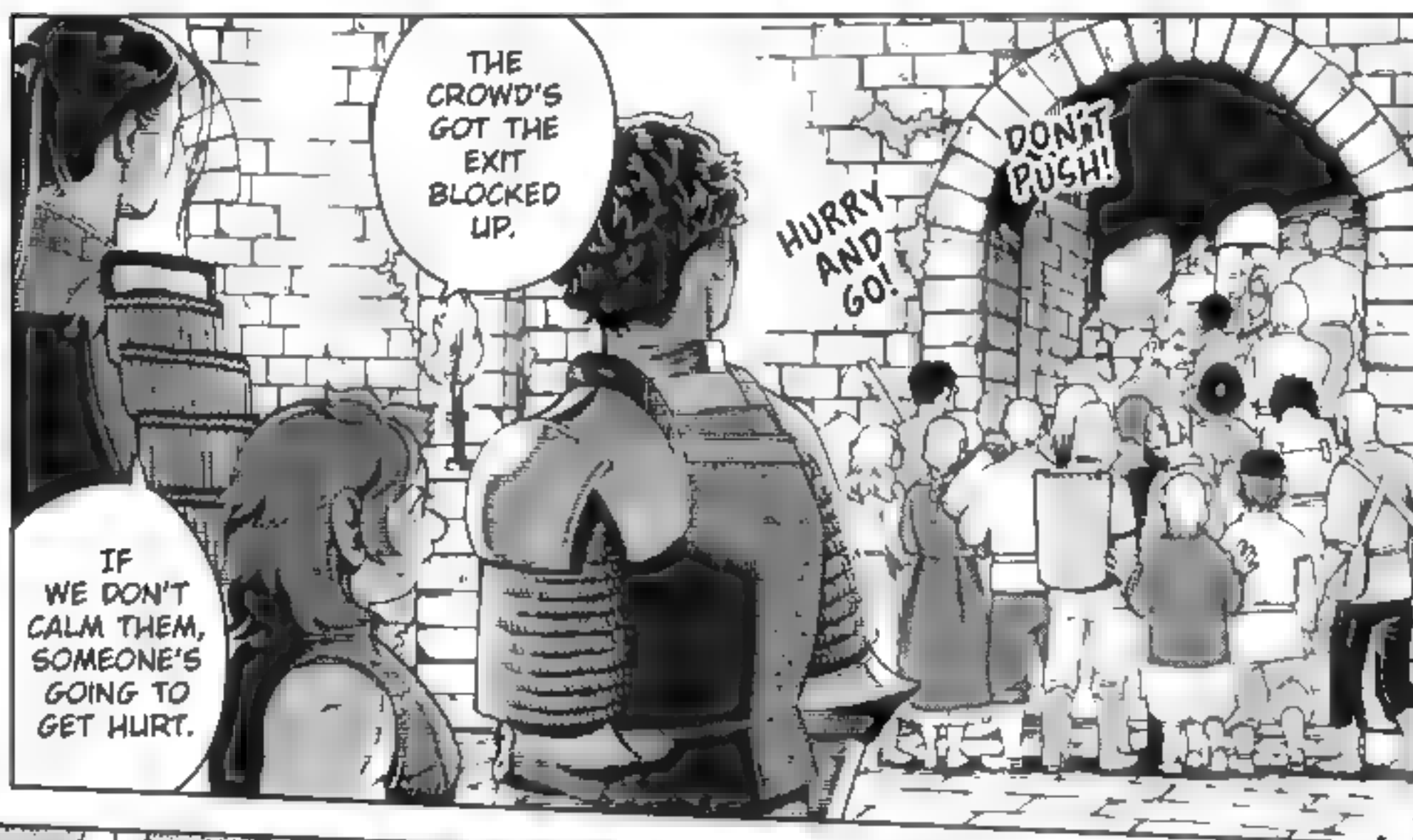
## DUNGEON MATURITY *LV. 5*

The monsters that weren't slain flood out aboveground.

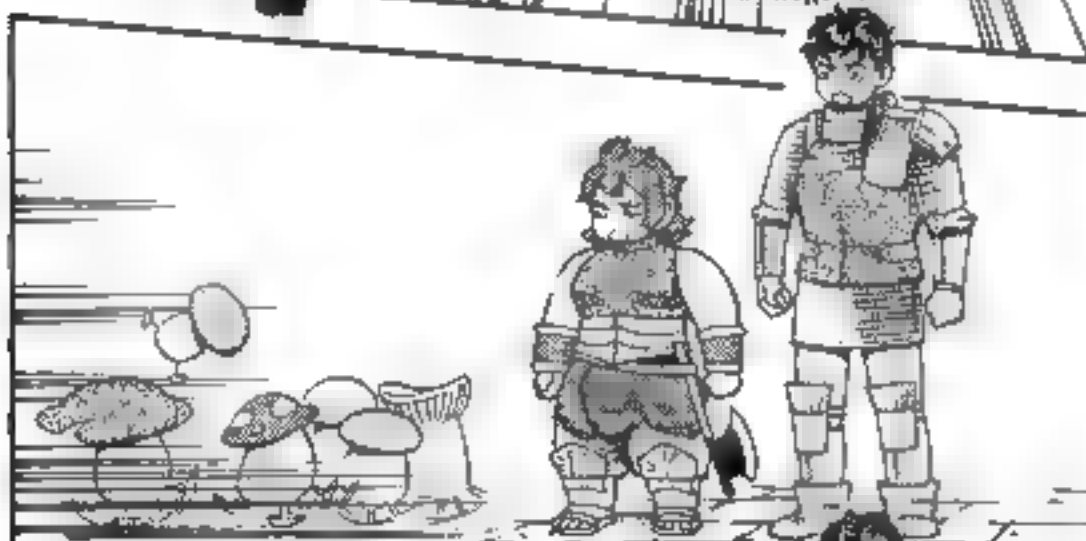
TO PREVENT THIS, IF YOU FIND A DUNGEON, REPORT IT RIGHT AWAY!



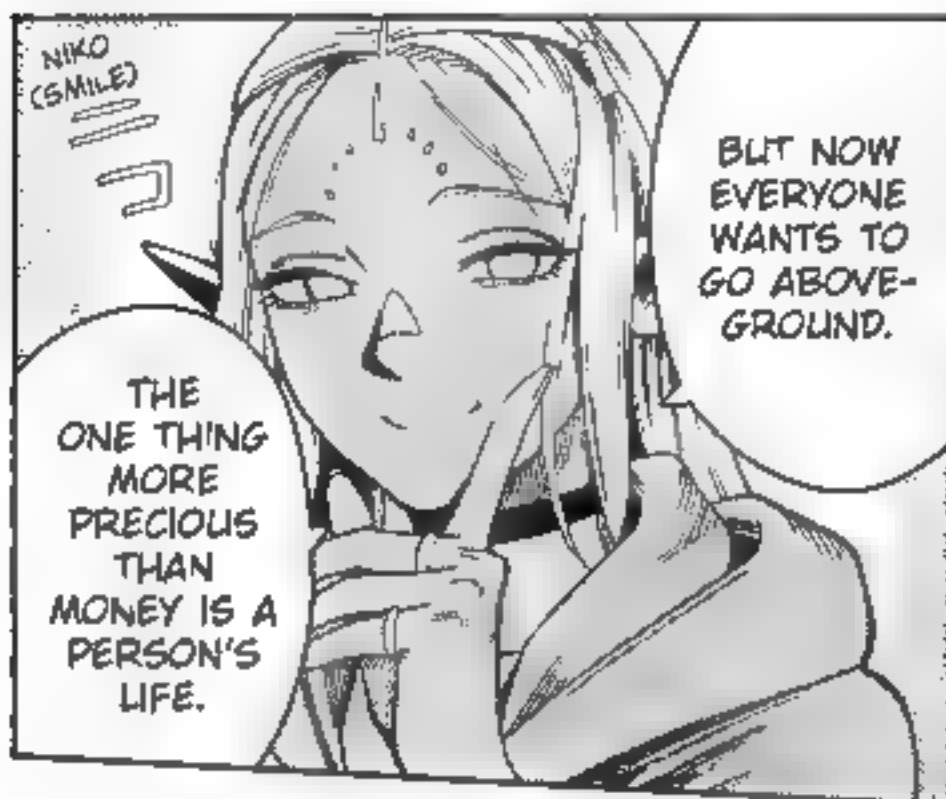














AND  
THOSE  
SPORES  
...



BLECH!  
GROSS.

MYCELIA  
ARE  
SPREADING  
FROM ITS  
FEET AND  
MULTIPLY-  
ING.

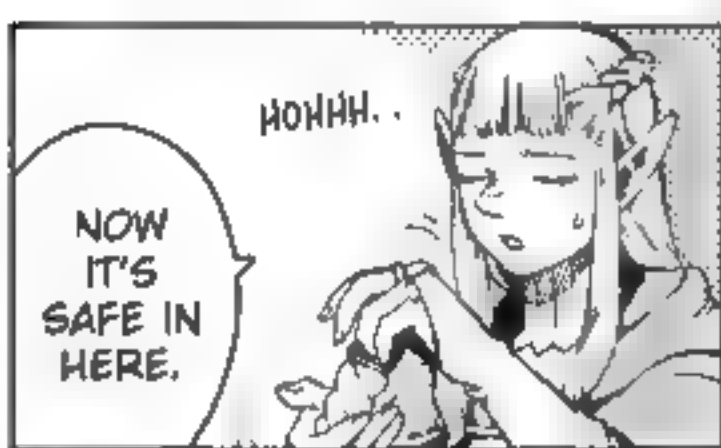
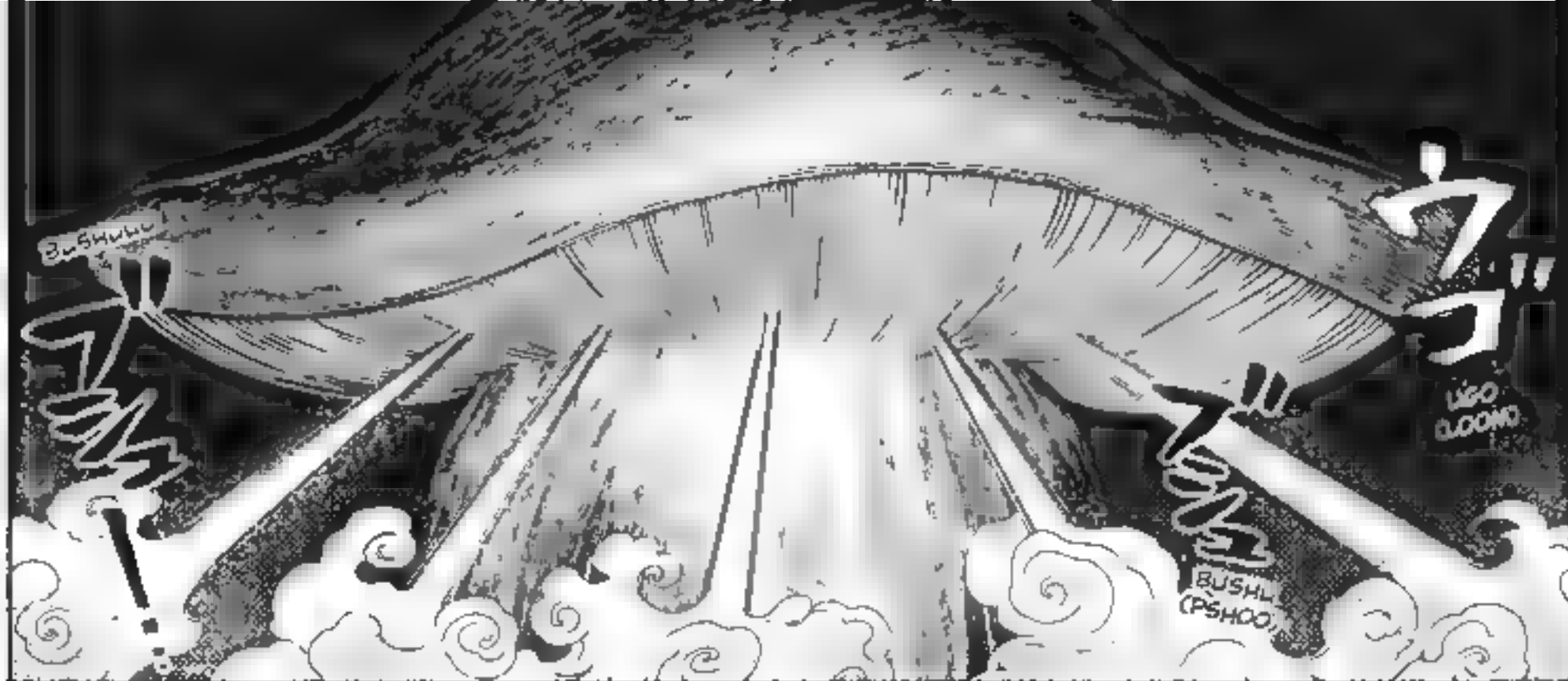


ZOWA  
SQUIRM

ZOWA

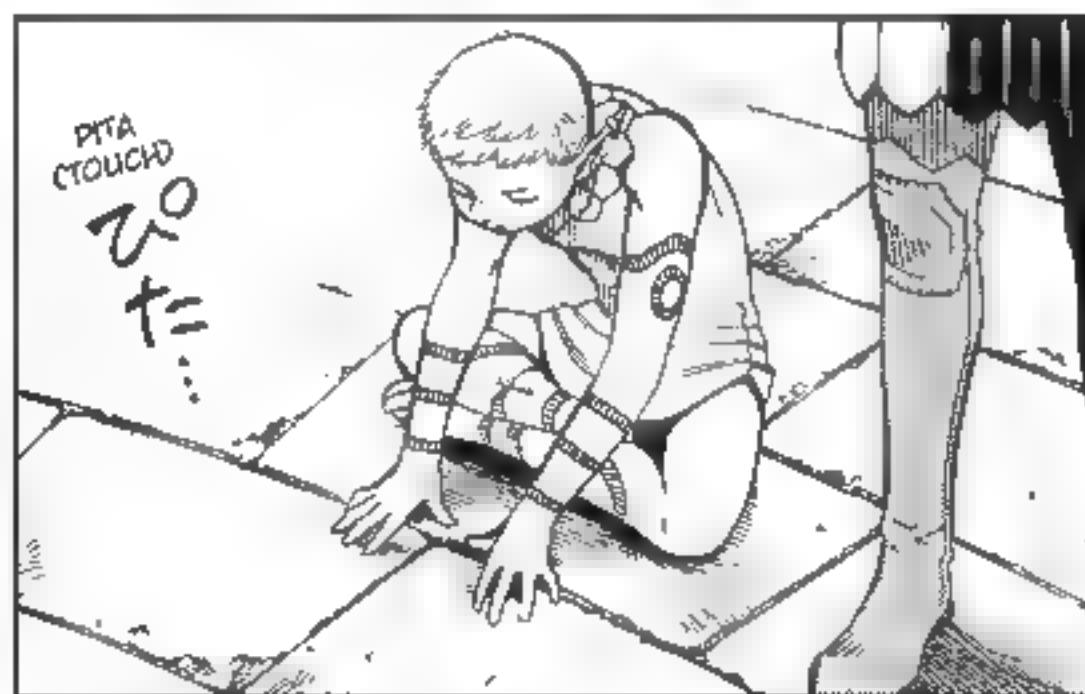
ZOWA

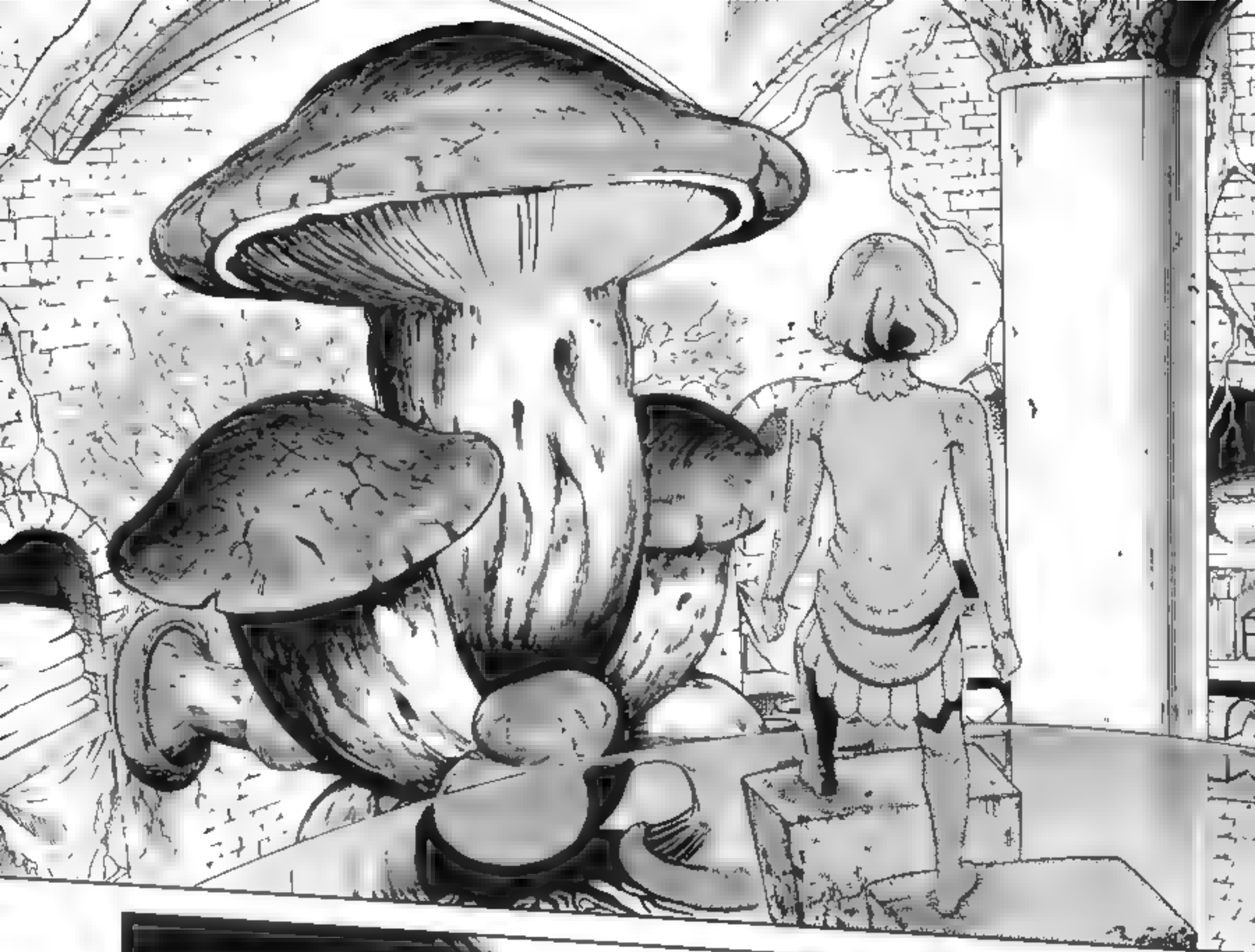
MOKO  
(POD)





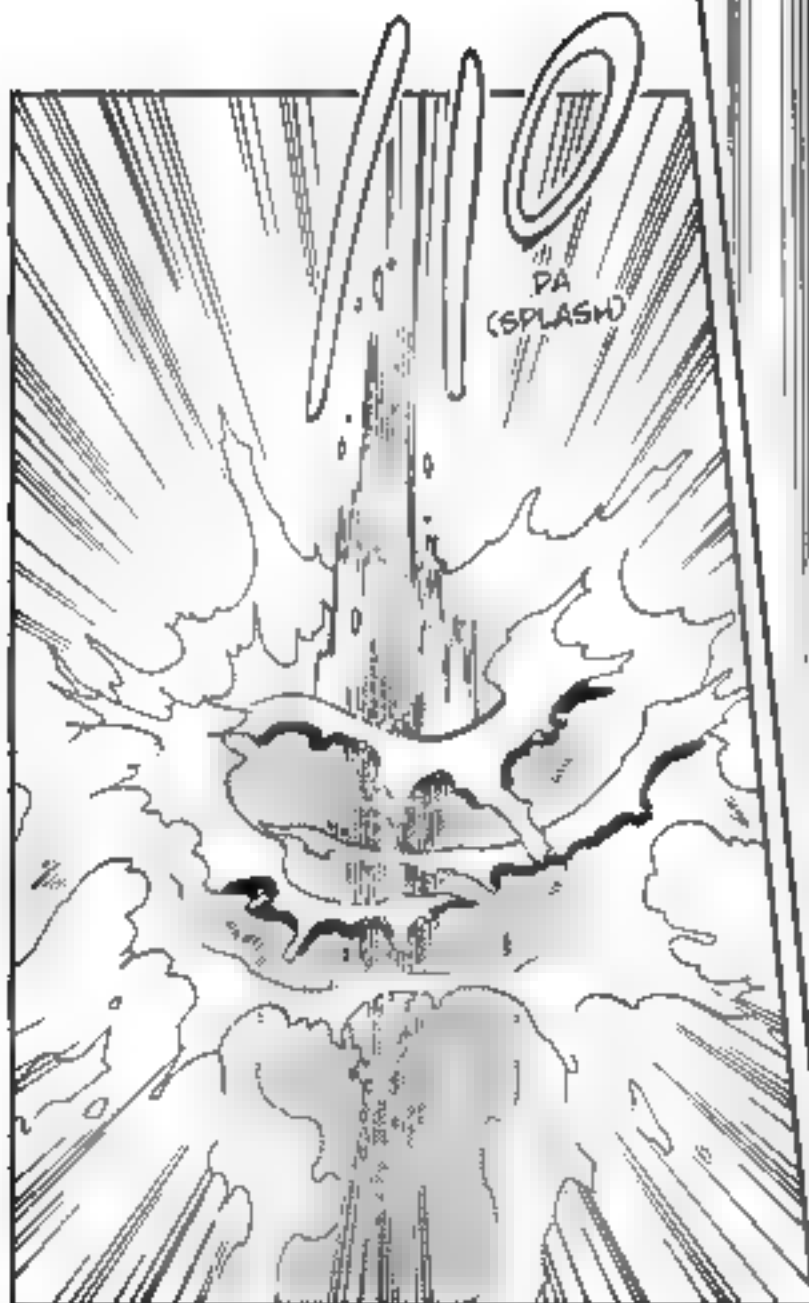


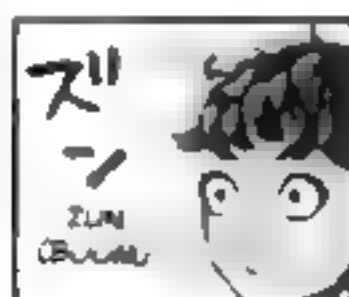
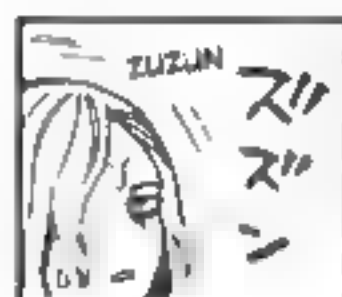




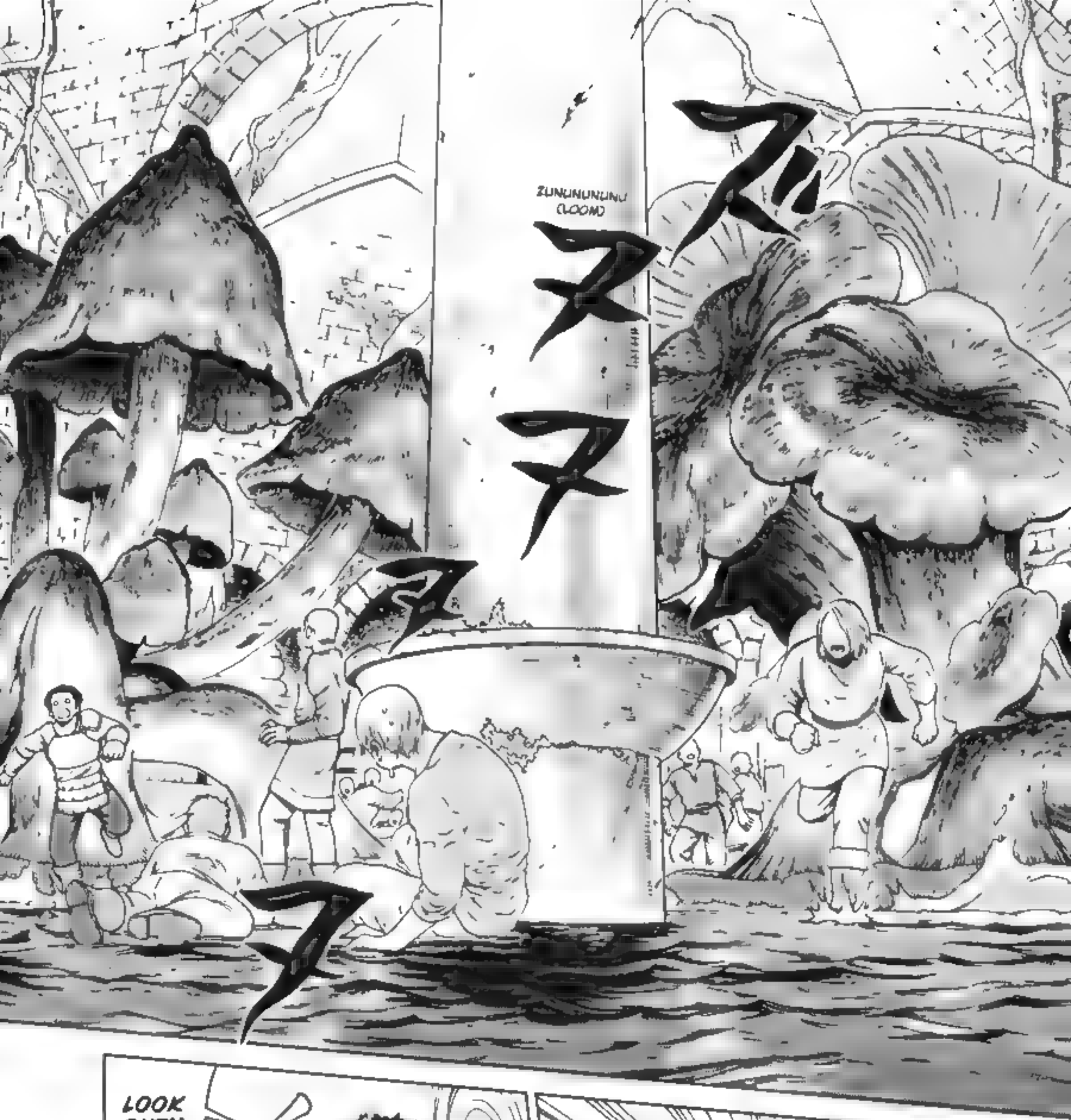


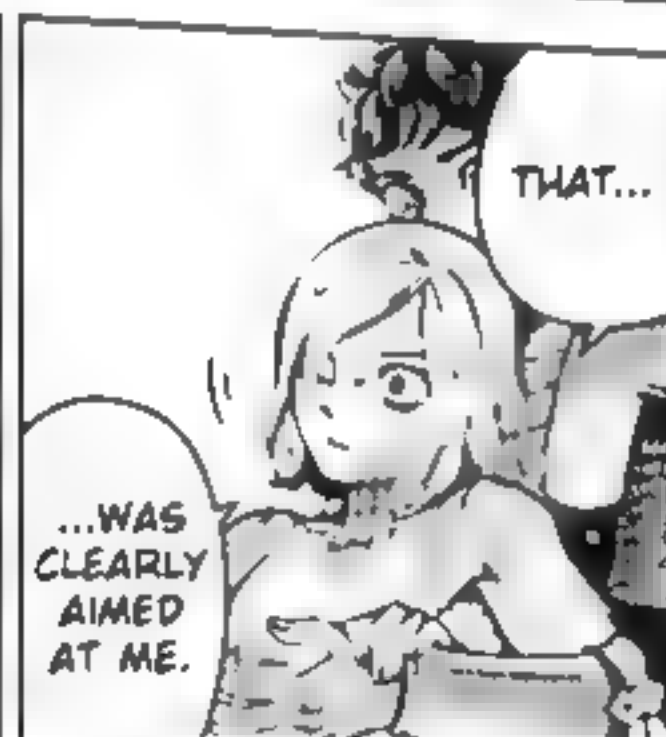


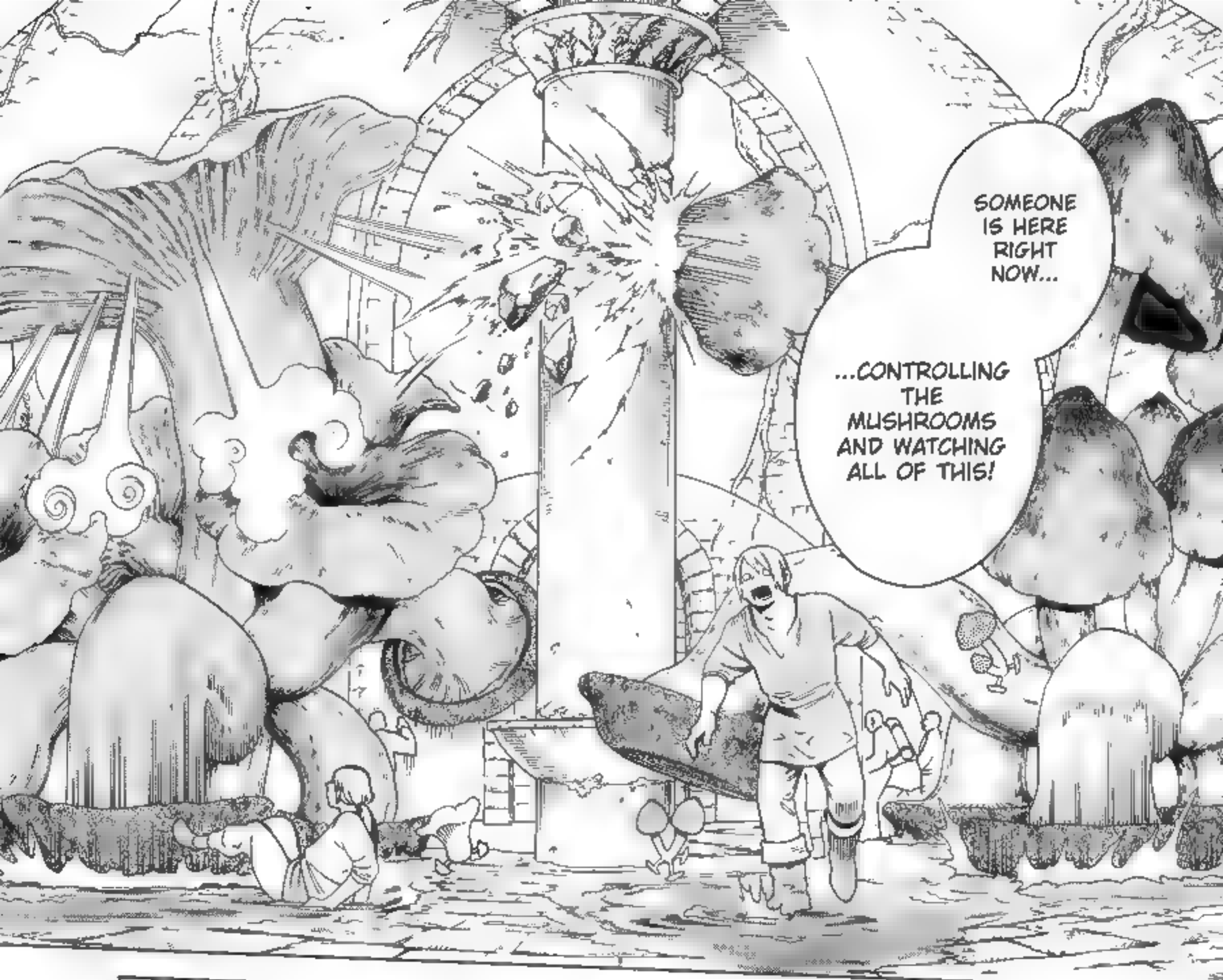












SOMEONE  
IS HERE  
RIGHT  
NOW...

...CONTROLLING  
THE  
MUSHROOMS  
AND WATCHING  
ALL OF THIS!



THE  
LORD...

YOU  
MEAN  
THE  
LUNATIC  
MAGI-  
CIAN?



THE  
LORD OF  
THE DUN-  
GEON.

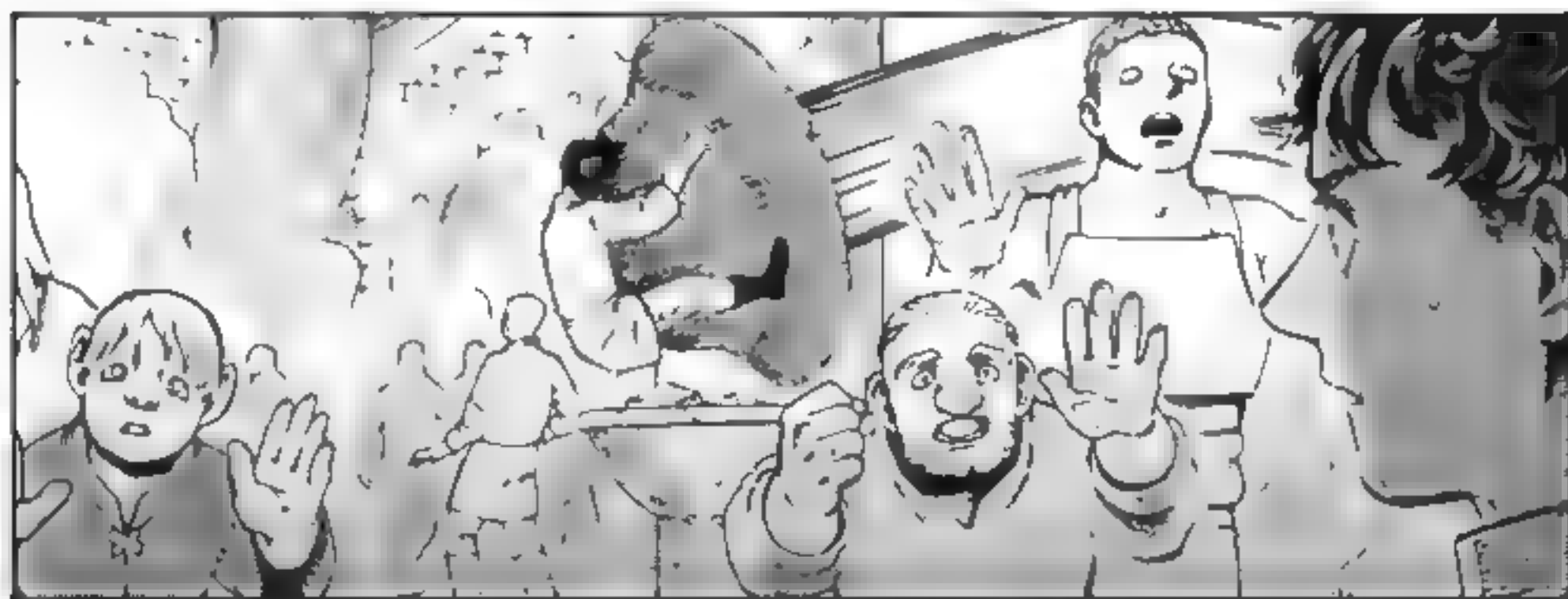
AS WE  
THOUGHT,  
HE MUST  
HAVE  
SENSED THE  
CHAOS  
AND COME  
HERE.



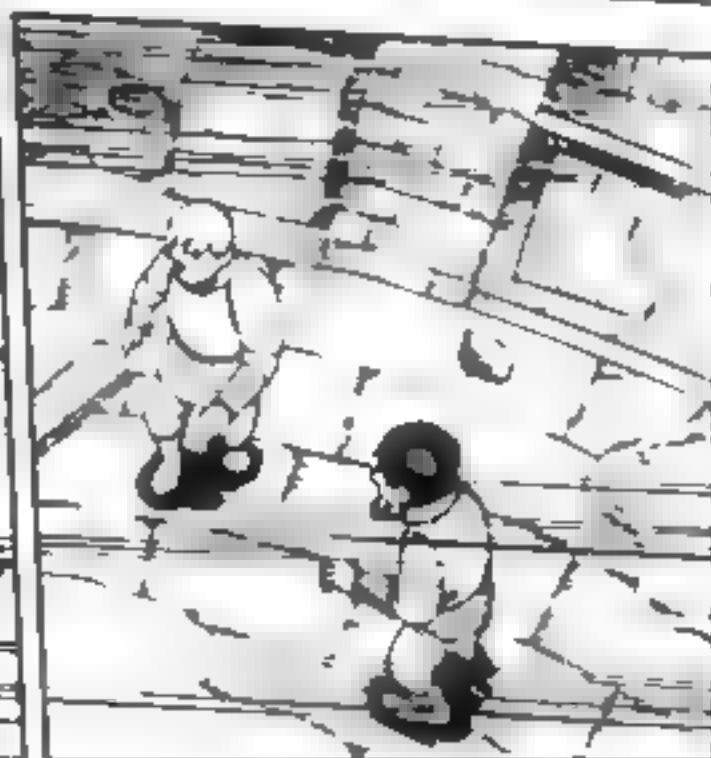
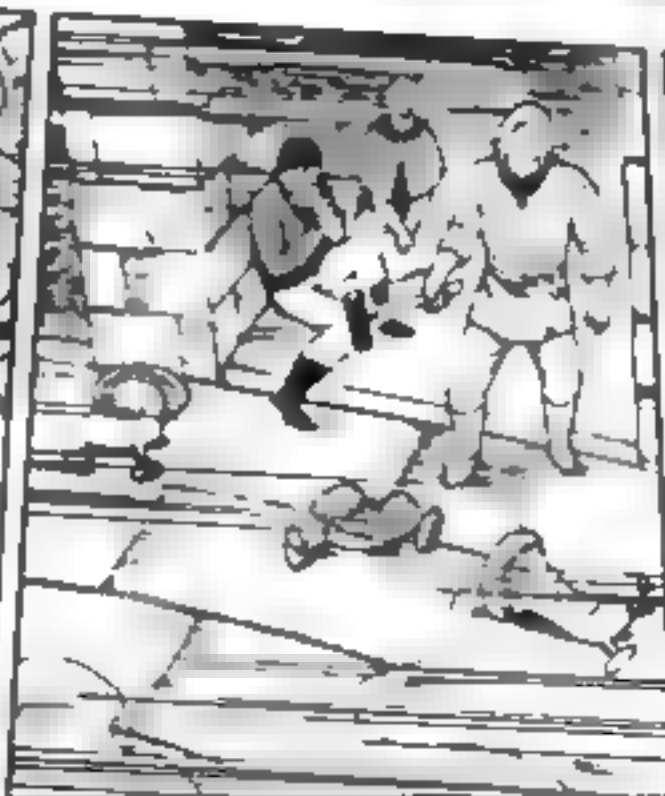
YES.

IN  
OTHER  
WORDS  
...YOU  
MEAN...



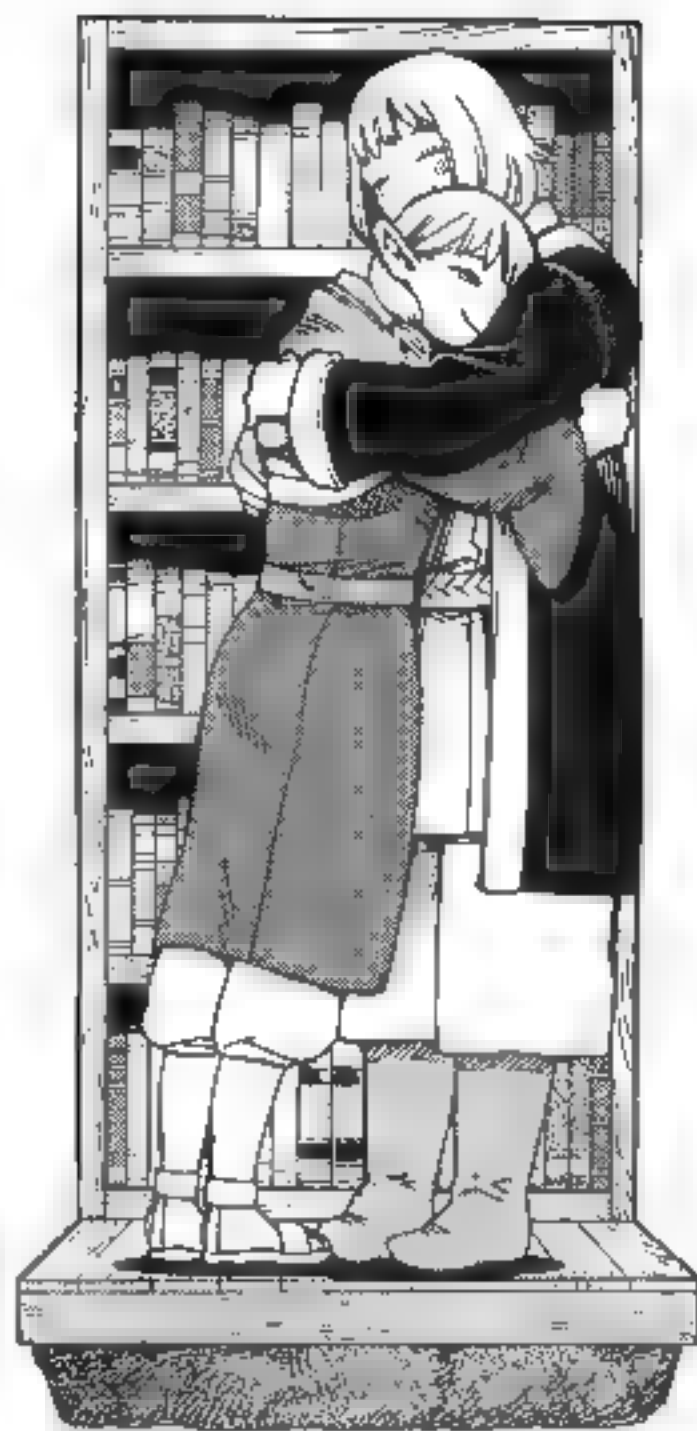






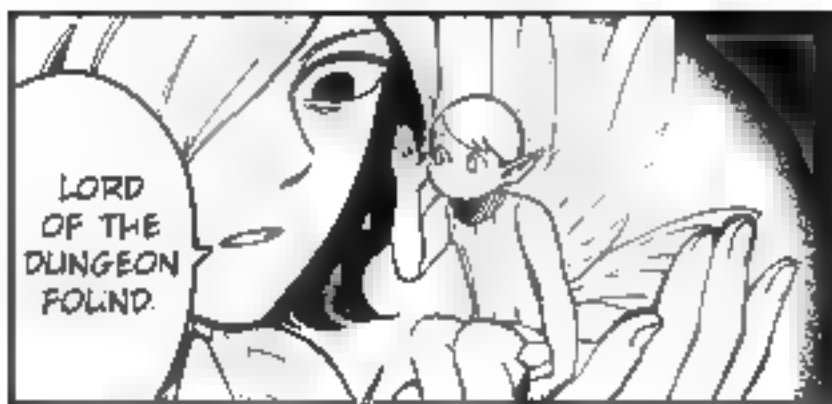












LORD  
OF THE  
DUNGEON  
FOUND.



GOT  
IT.

I'll  
do it.  
You pin  
down  
the giant  
mush-  
rooms.



FUWA  
(FLOAT)

30  
40



TSK  
TSK.



AND  
THEN  
THE DUN-  
GEON...

WE CAN'T  
MATCH  
THEM IN  
KNOWL-  
EDGE,  
EXPERI-  
ENCE, OR  
SKILL.  
THEY'LL  
PROBABLY  
GET THE  
DUNGEON  
UNDER  
CONTROL.



THEIR  
SKILLS  
HAVE BEEN  
HONED  
SPECIFI-  
CALLY FOR  
CONQUER-  
ING  
DUNGEONS.

OKAY,  
LET'S DO  
THIS

HALF  
OF THE  
CANARIES  
ARE  
CRIMINALS  
WHO GOT  
INVOLVED  
WITH  
ANCIENT  
MAGIC.

SFX: GOKI (KRIK) GOKI

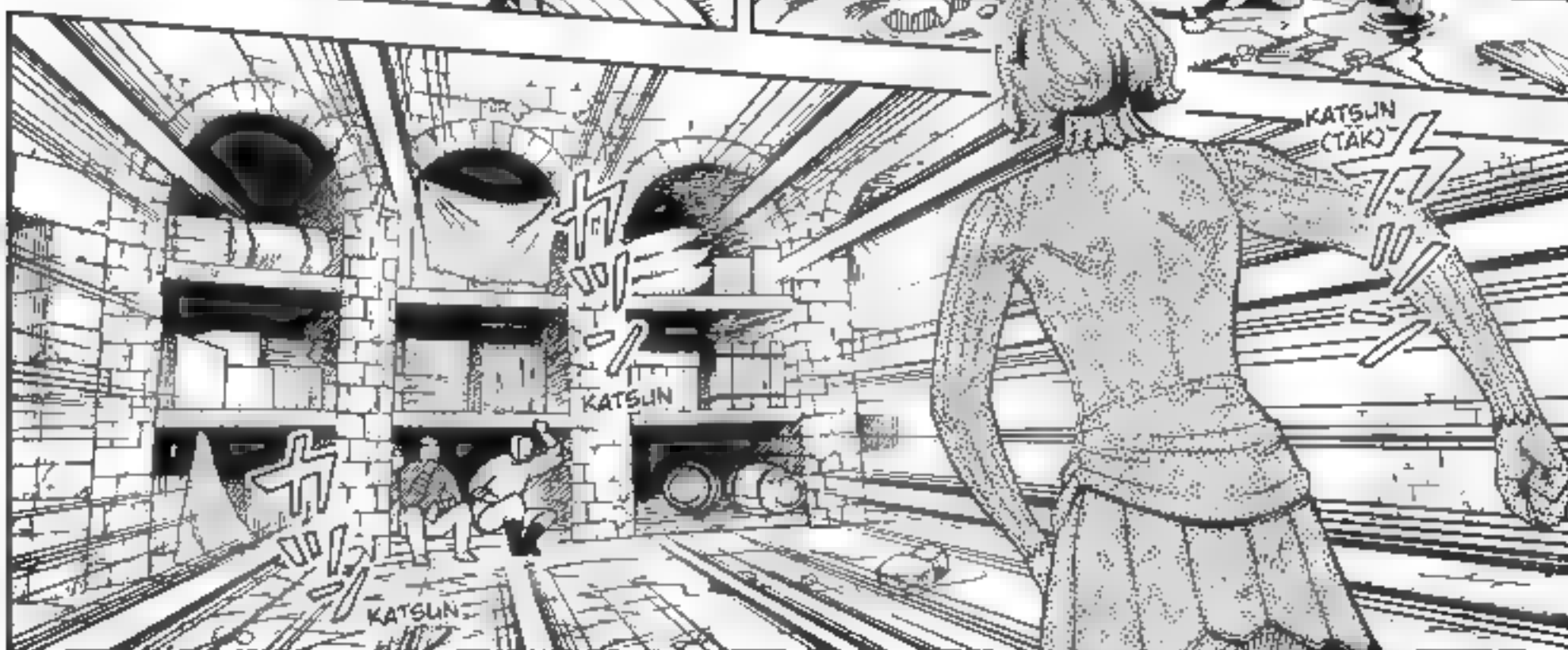


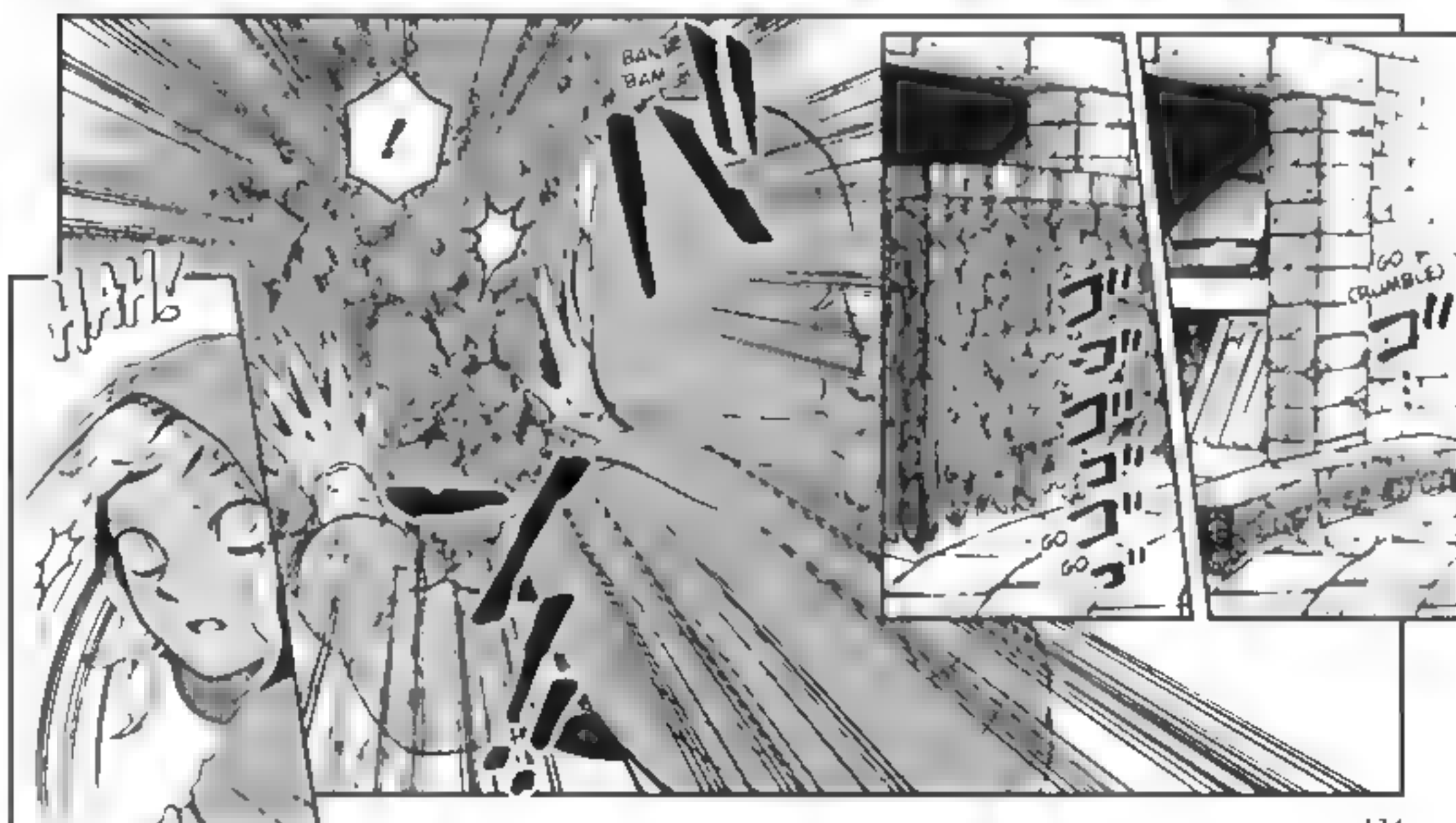
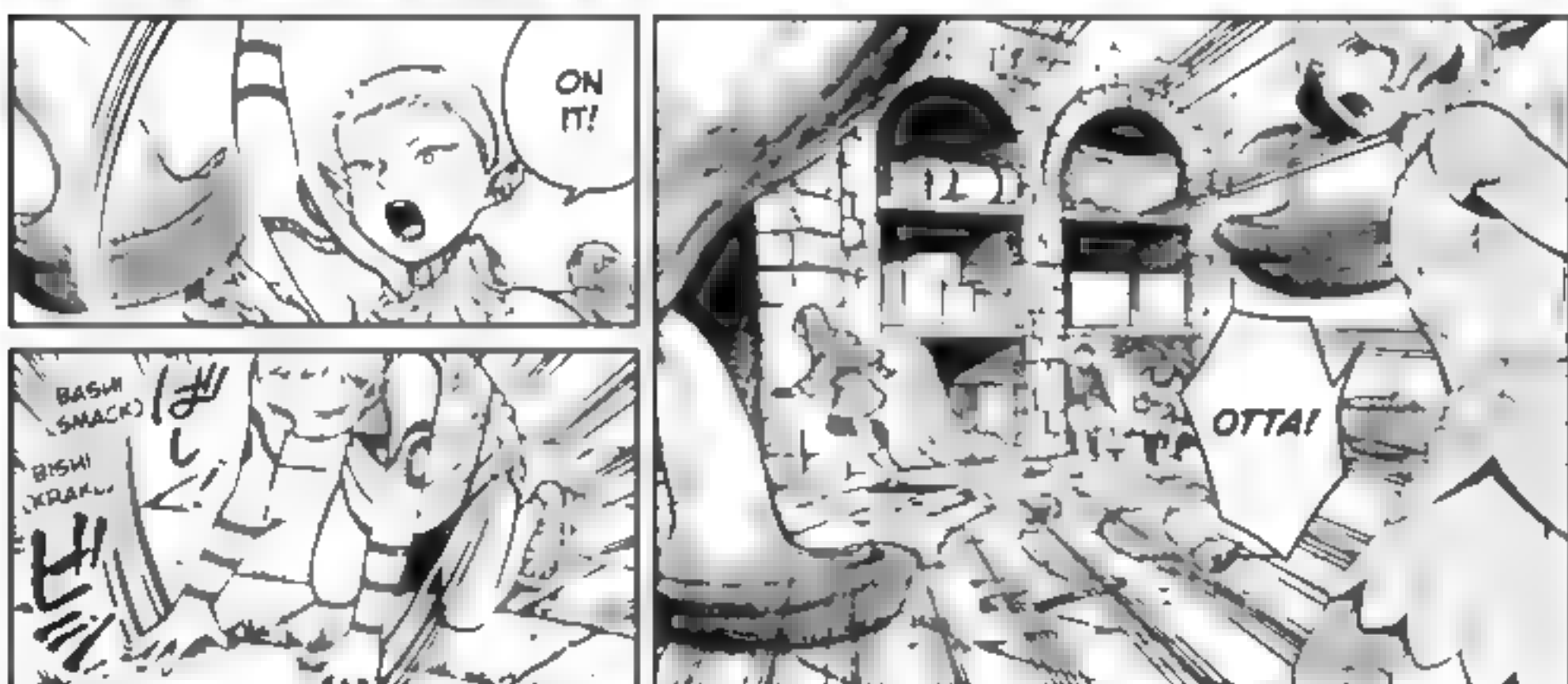
...WILL  
FALL  
INTO THE  
ELVES'  
HANDS.

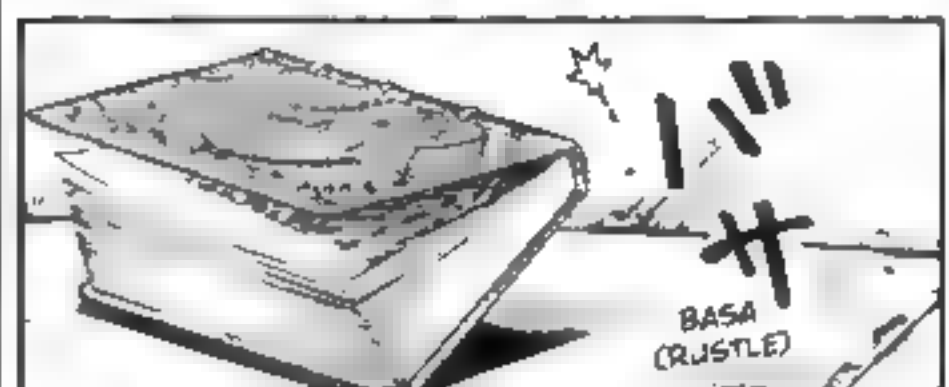
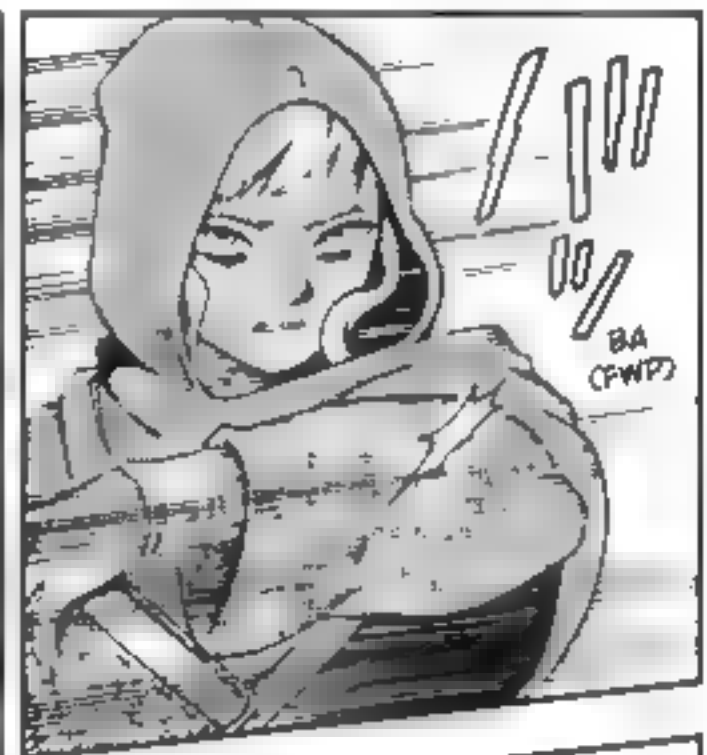
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(SNP)



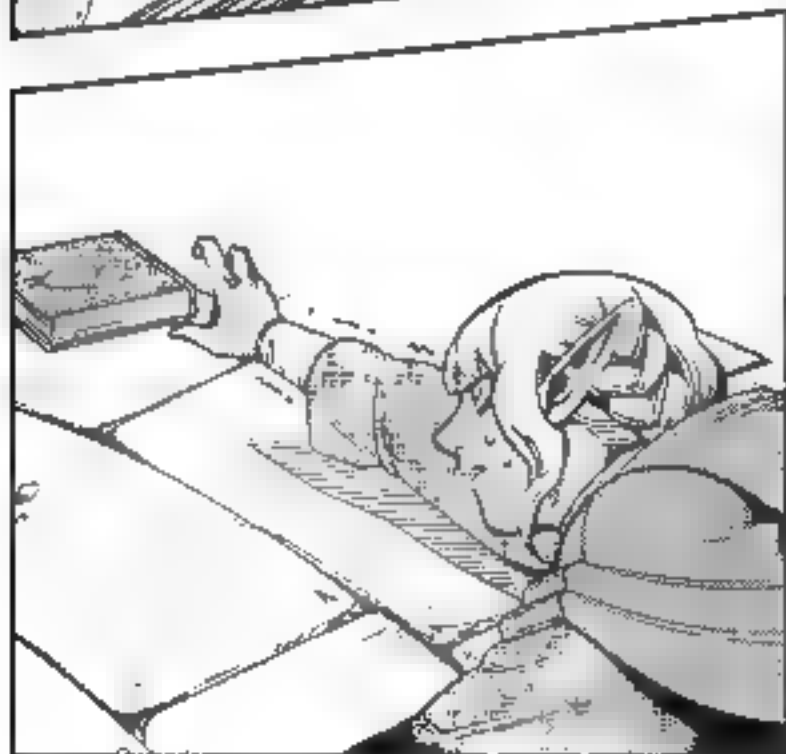
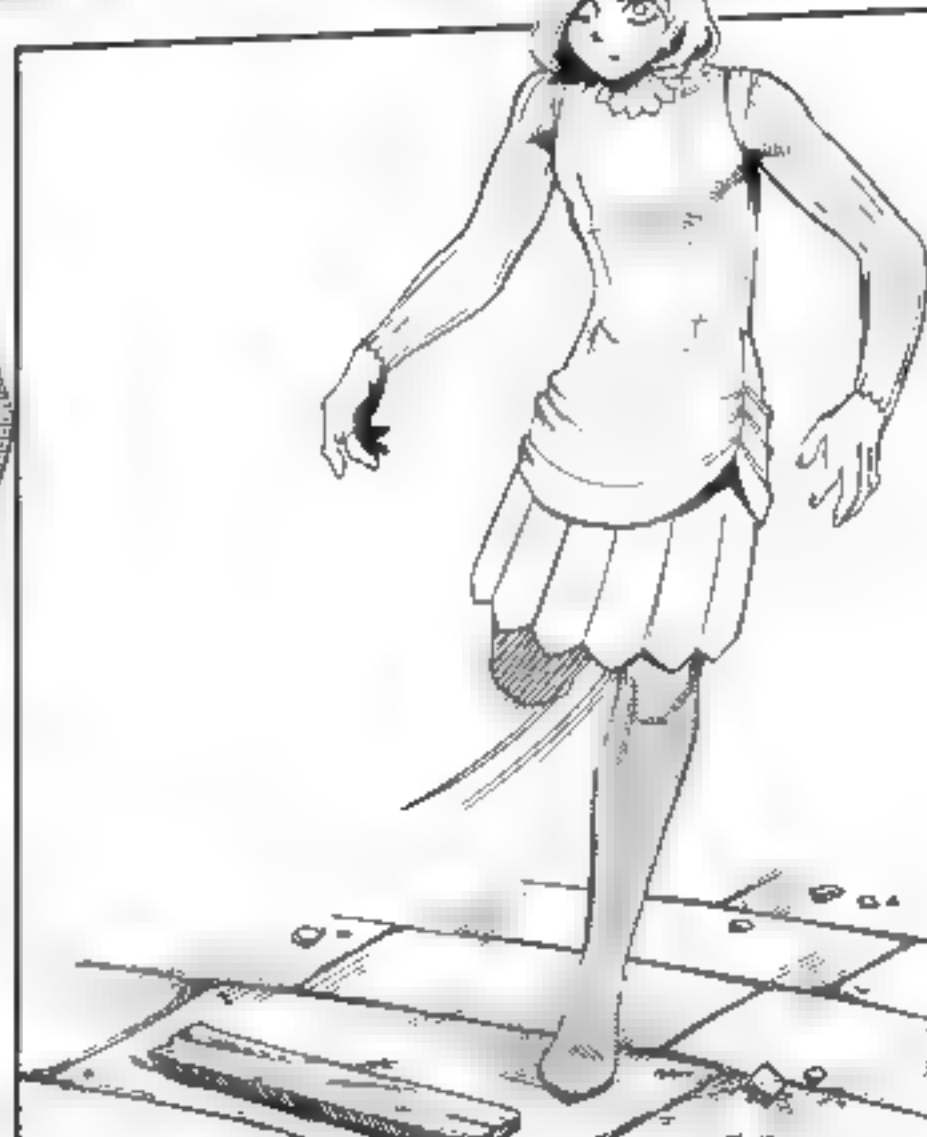
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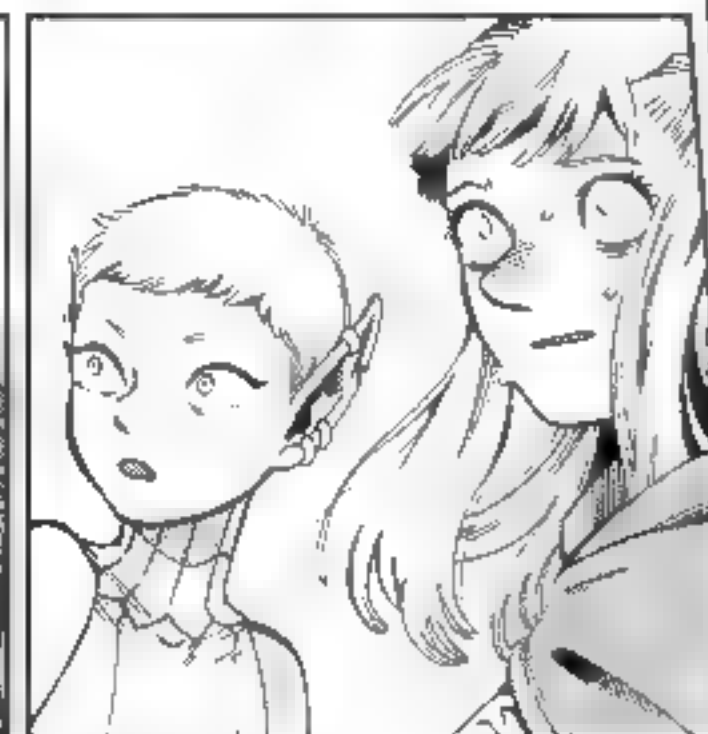




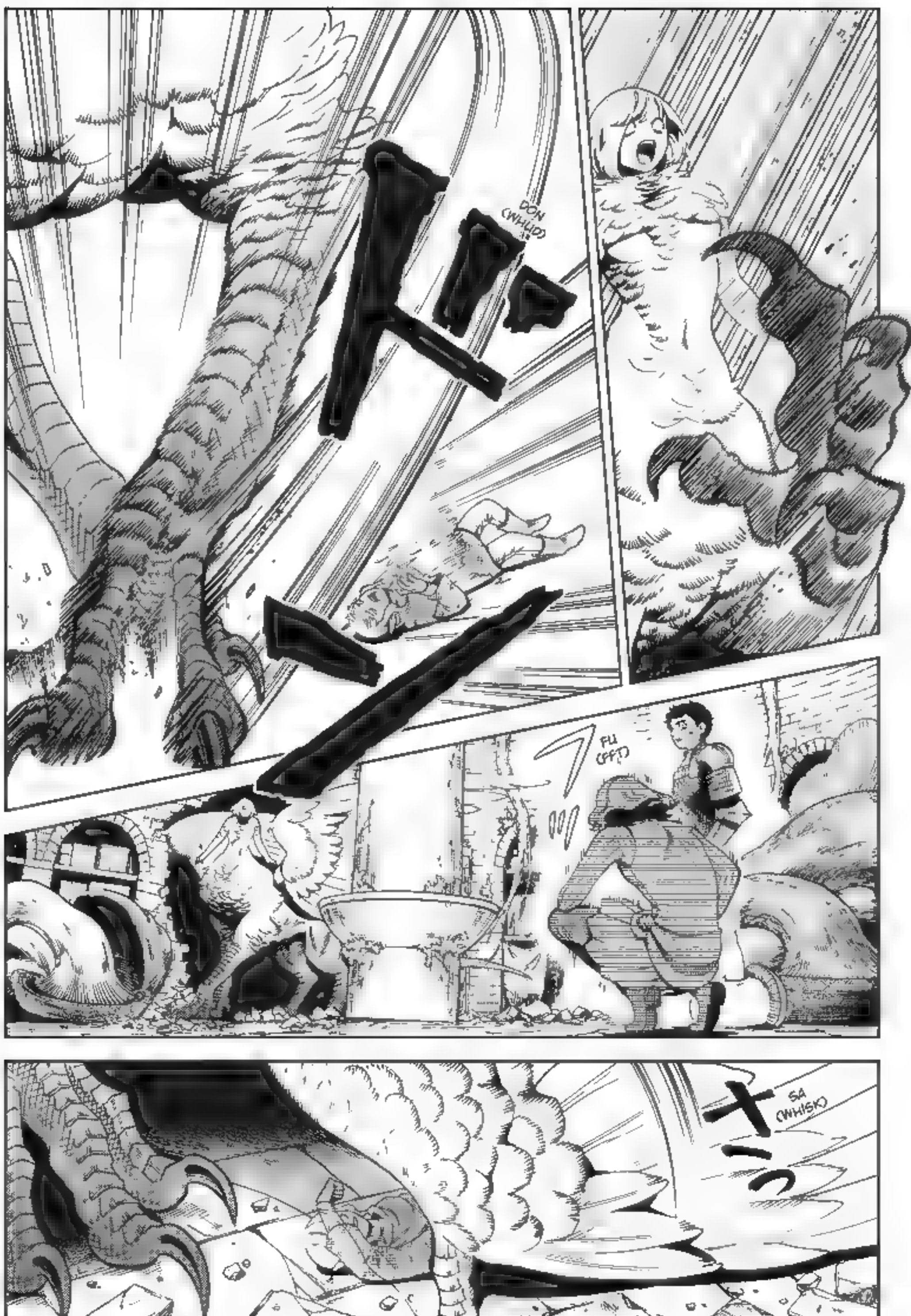




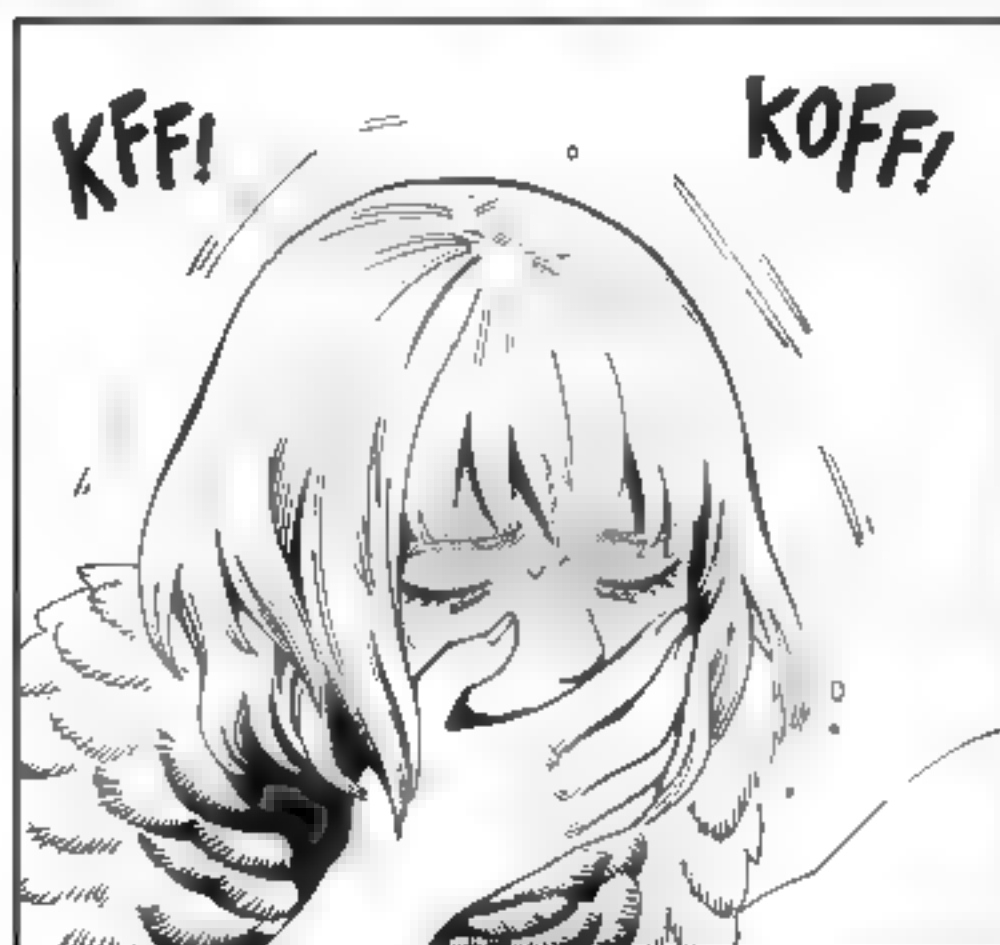


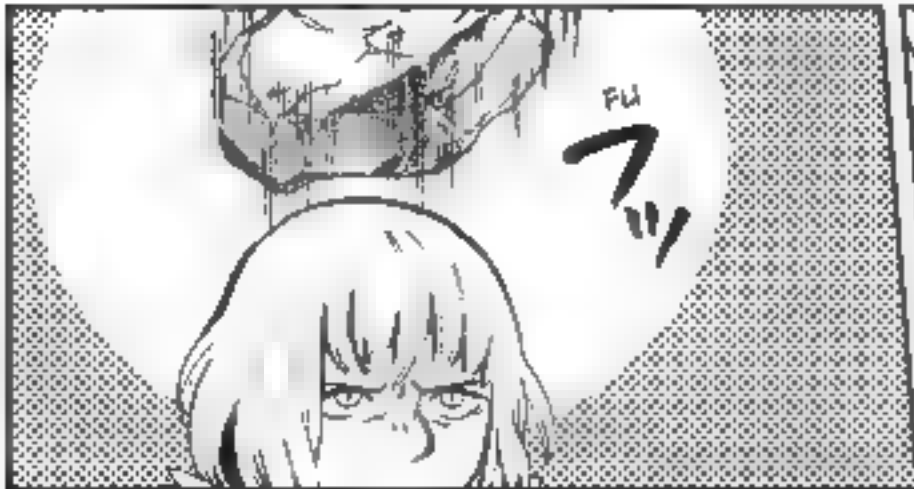
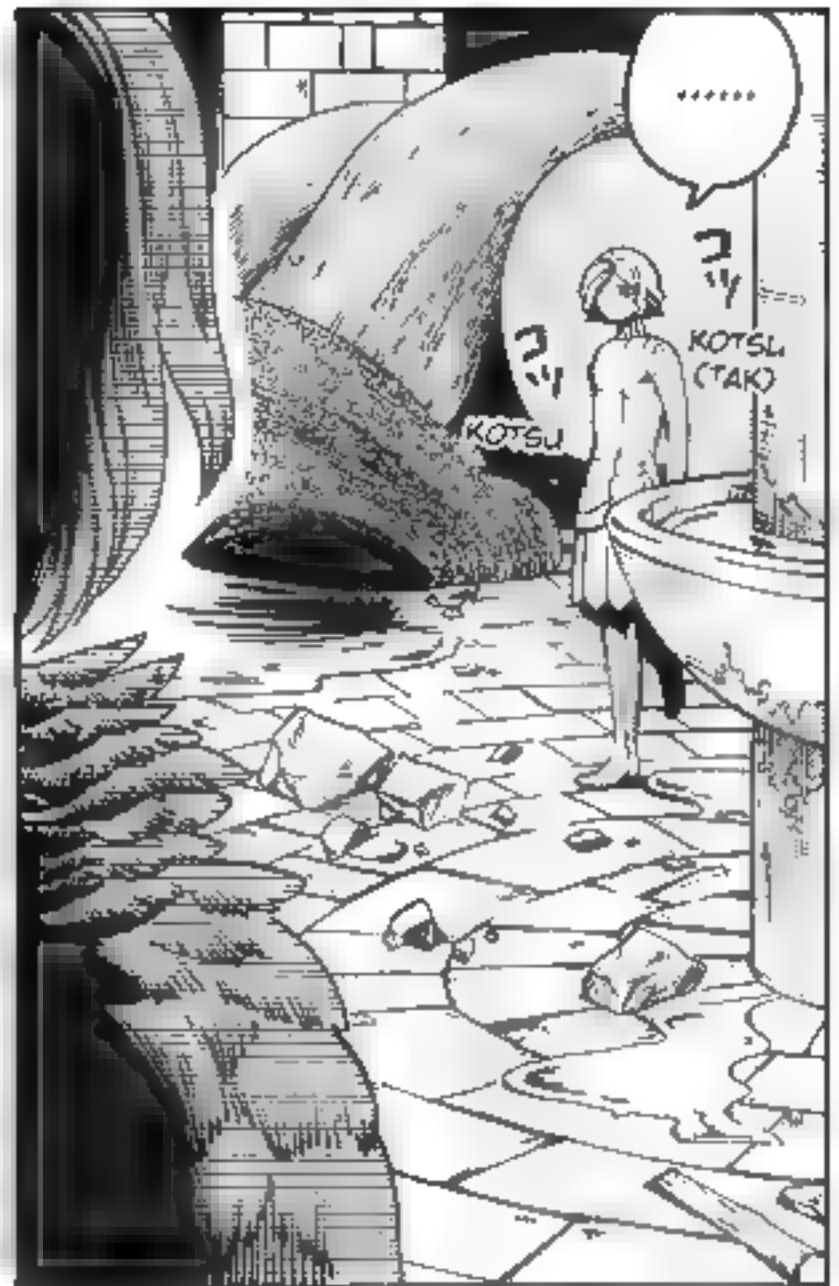


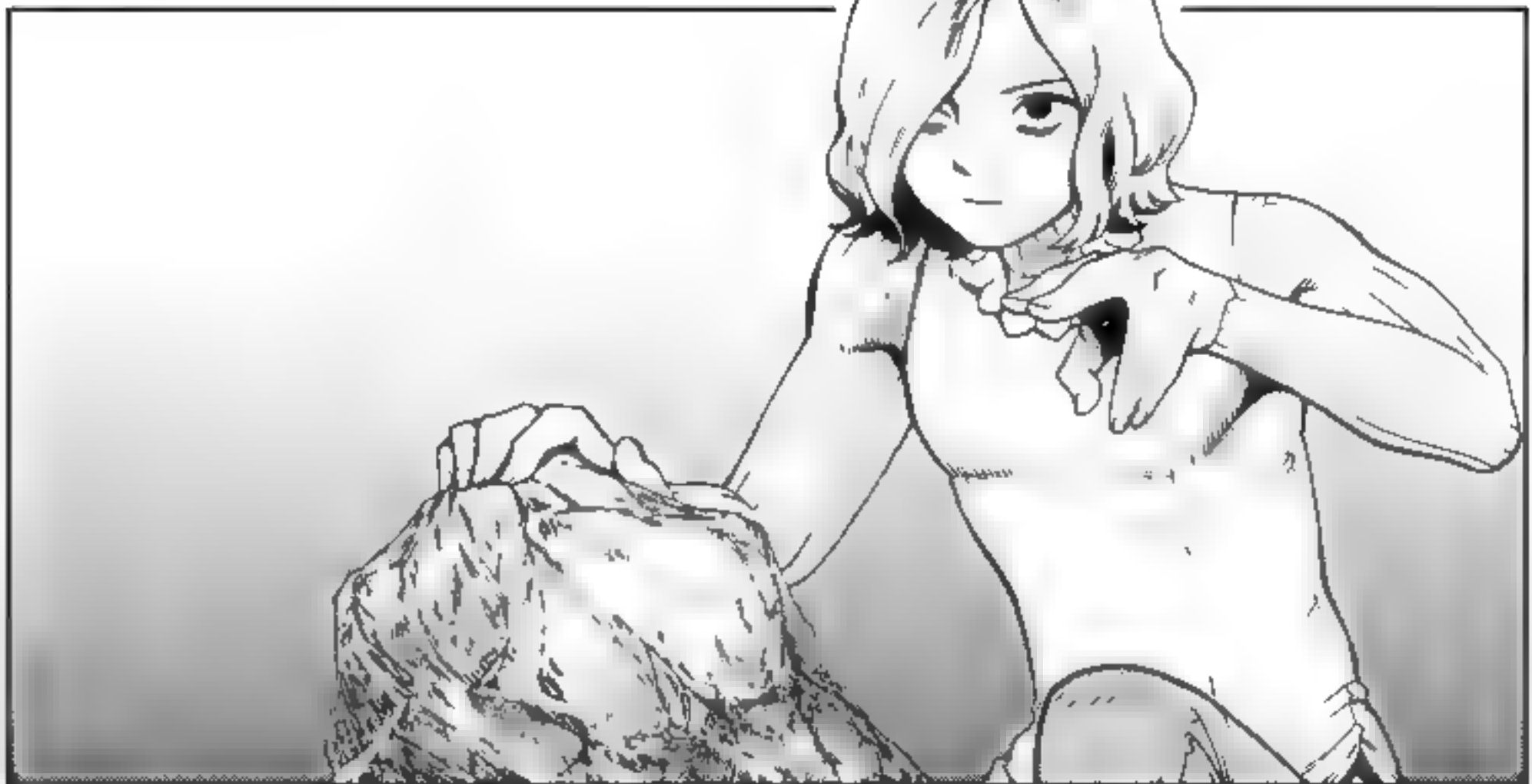


















AS FOR  
LAIOS'S  
GROUP



WELL, IT'S  
ALL RIGHT  
LIKE THIS.



SHE'S  
THE ONLY  
ONE  
THEY'LL  
PUT TO  
DEATH.

IF SHE'S  
LUCKY,  
SHE'LL BE  
ASSIGNED  
TO THE  
CANARIES  
INSTEAD.



IT WON'T  
BE A FEW  
YEARS FOR  
THEM.

IF NOT,  
THEY'LL BE  
TOSSED  
OUT WITH  
JUST A  
LITTLE LIFE  
LEFT.

IF THEY'RE  
LUCKY,  
THEY'LL DIE  
OF OLD AGE  
IN PRISON.



IT'S  
ALL RIGHT  
THIS WAY.

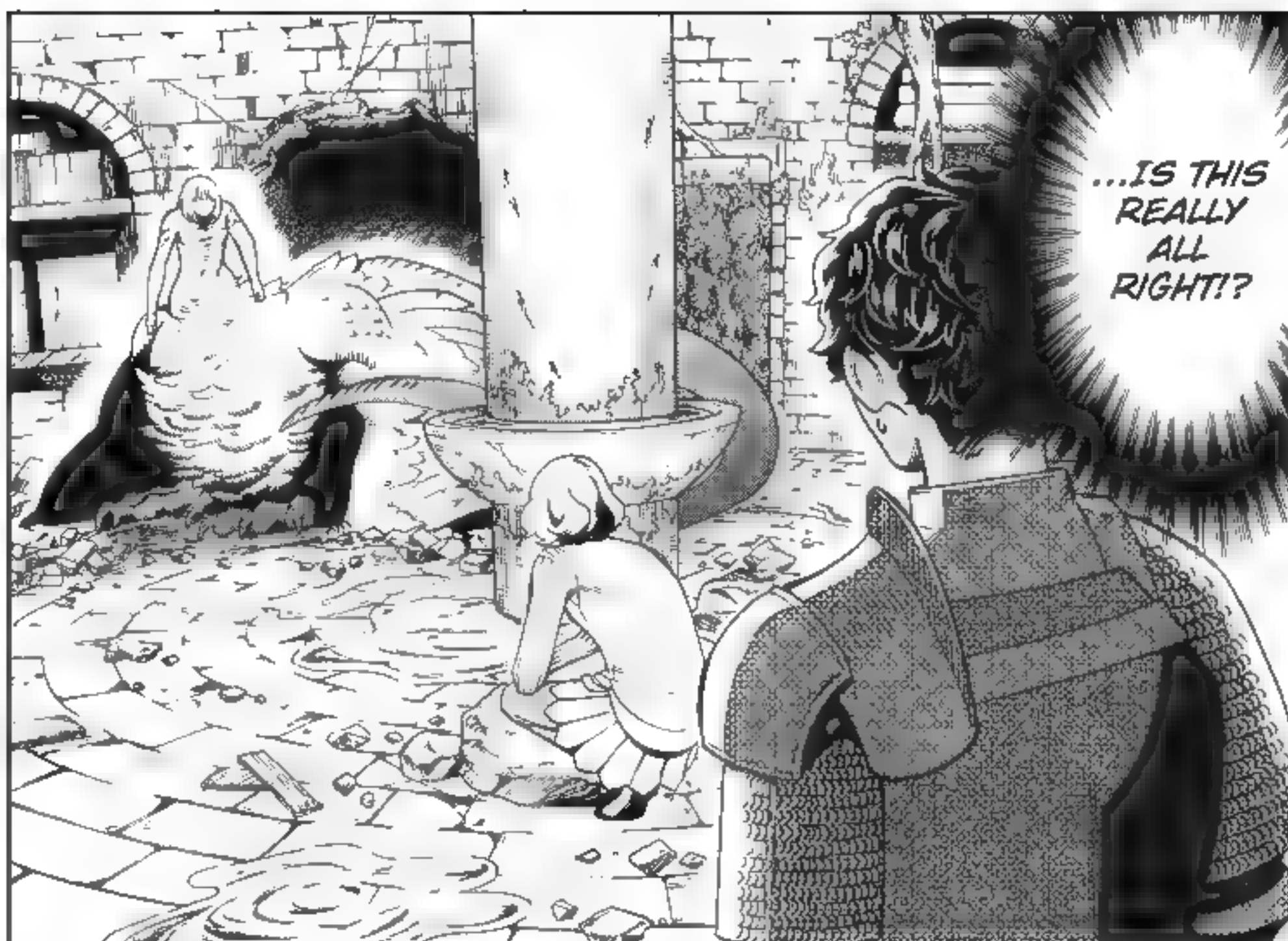


WE'VE  
AVOIDED  
MAKING  
ANOTHER  
UTAYA...

...AND THE  
ELVES ARE  
THE BEST  
ONES TO  
MANAGE THE  
DUNGEON.

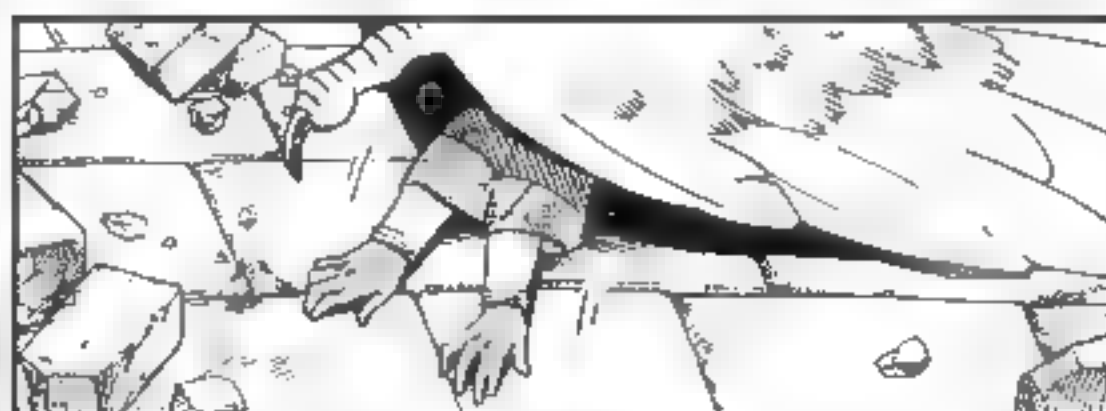
TRYING  
TO DO  
SOME-  
THING  
WITH IT...

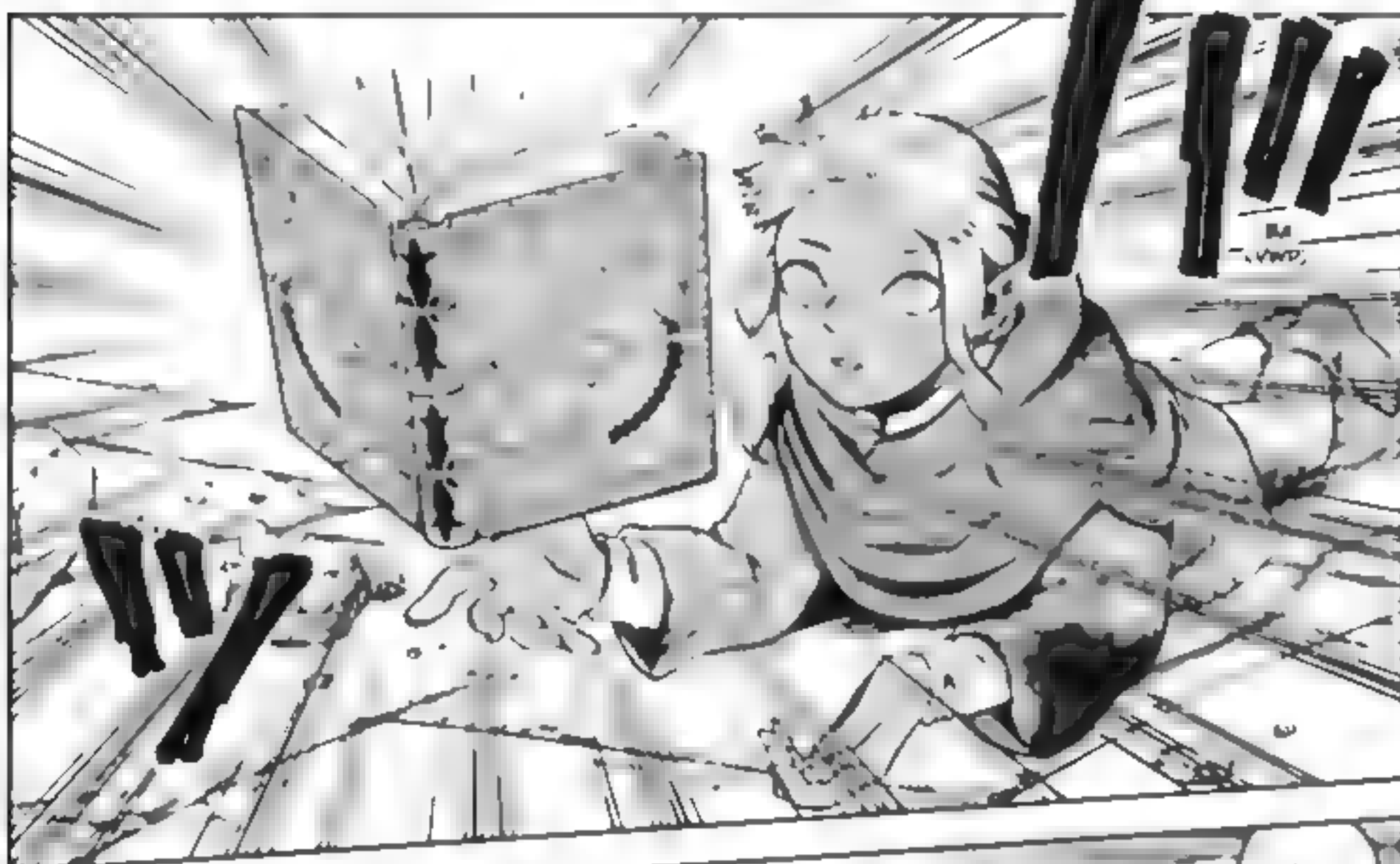
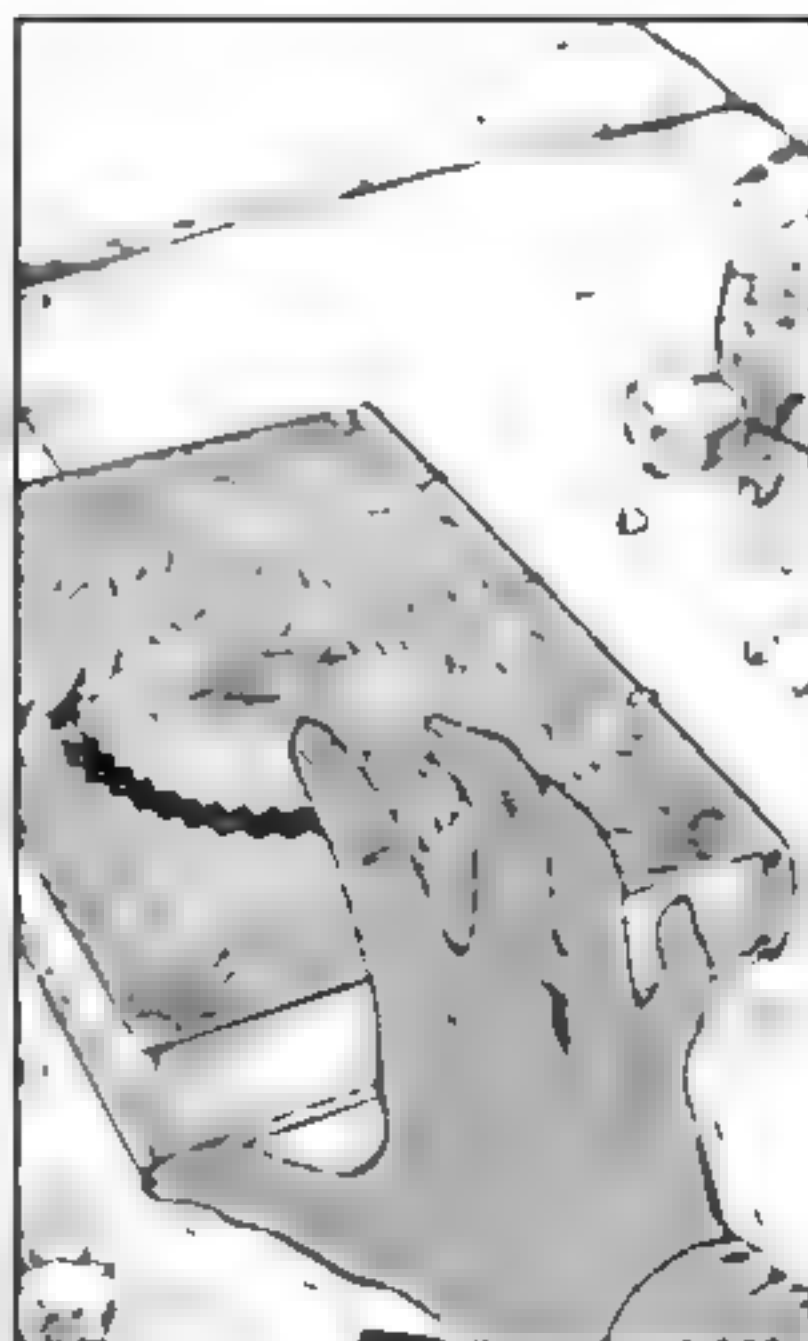
...WAS  
HOPELESS  
FOR SHORT-  
LIVED RACES  
FROM THE  
START.





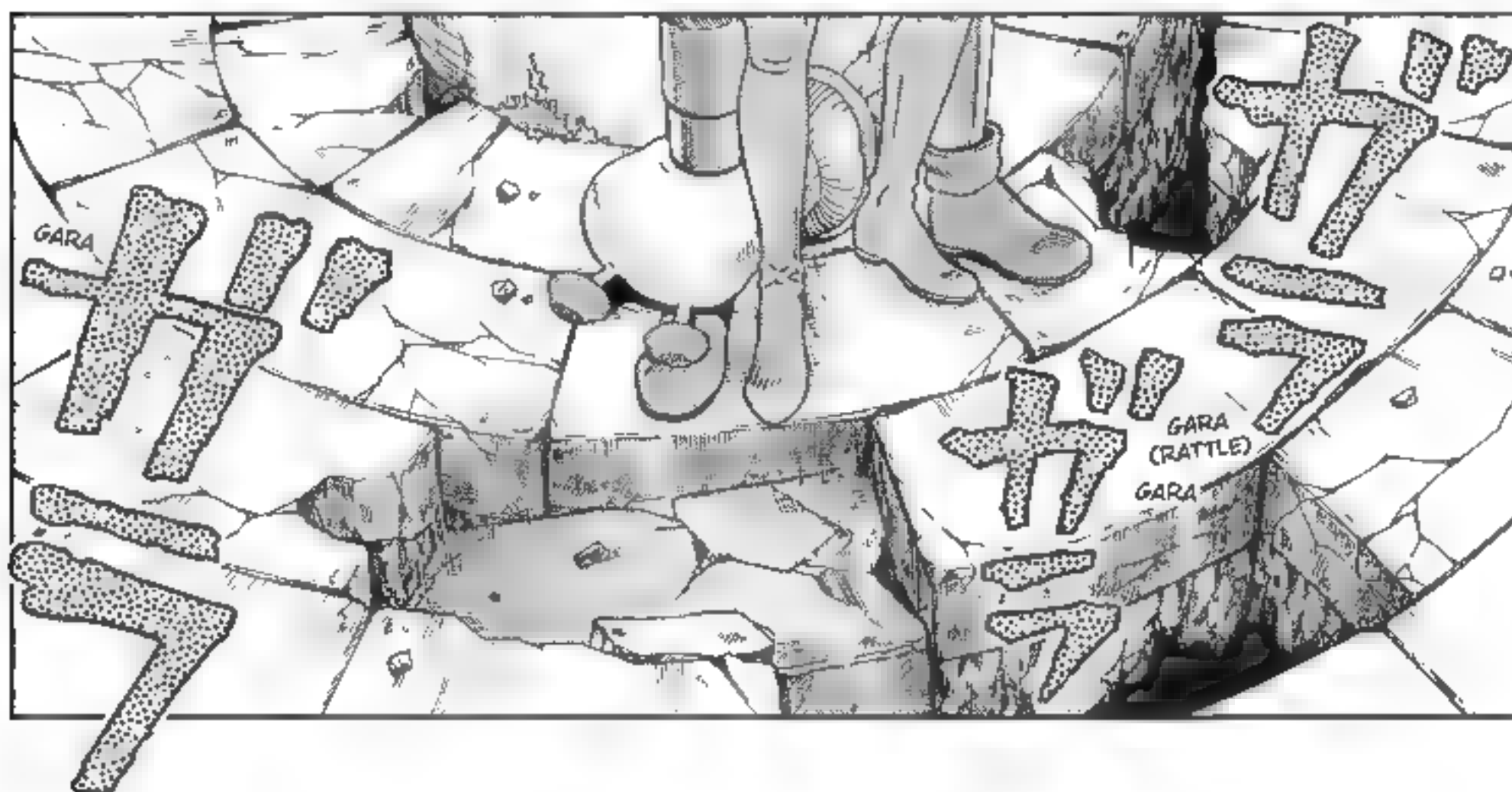








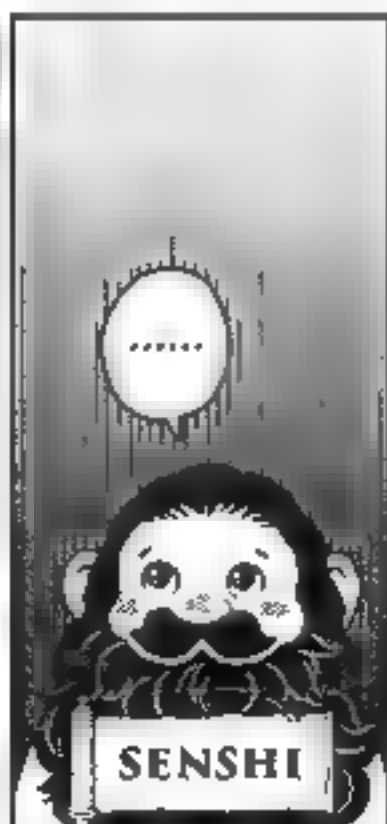
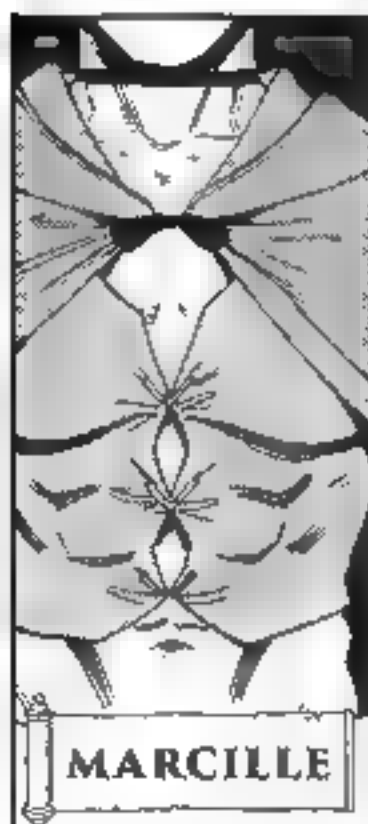


















...ADD ONION, EGG, SHREDDED BREAD, AND SEASONINGS AND MIX UNTIL ELEMENTS ARE EVENLY INCORPORATED.



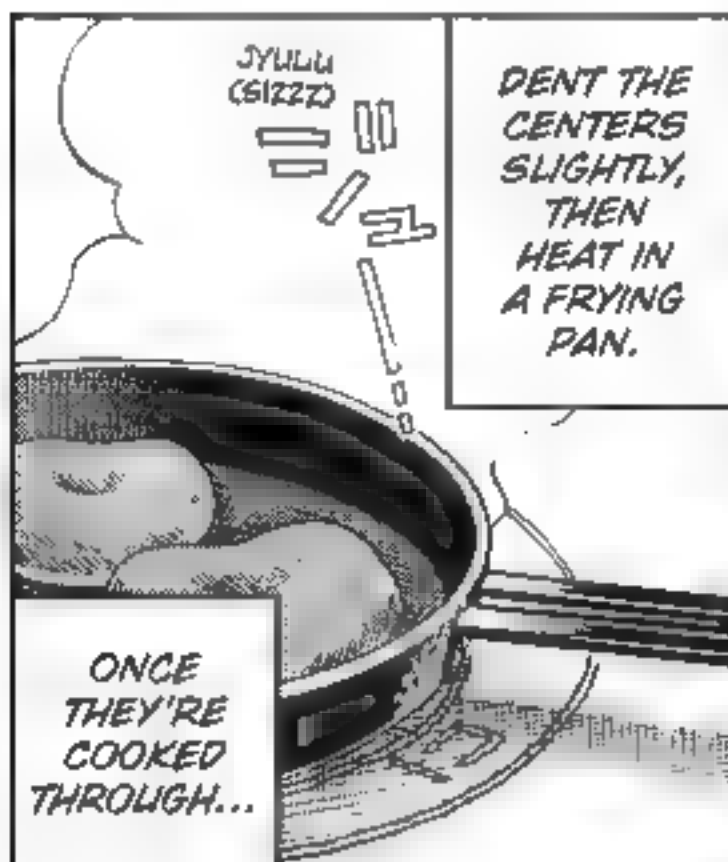
COMBINE GROUND MINOTAUR AND HIPPO-GRIFF MEAT...



LET'S MAKE SOMETHING WHILE WE'RE WAITING.



MINCE ONIONS, THEN SAUTÉ UNTIL CARAMEL-COLORED.

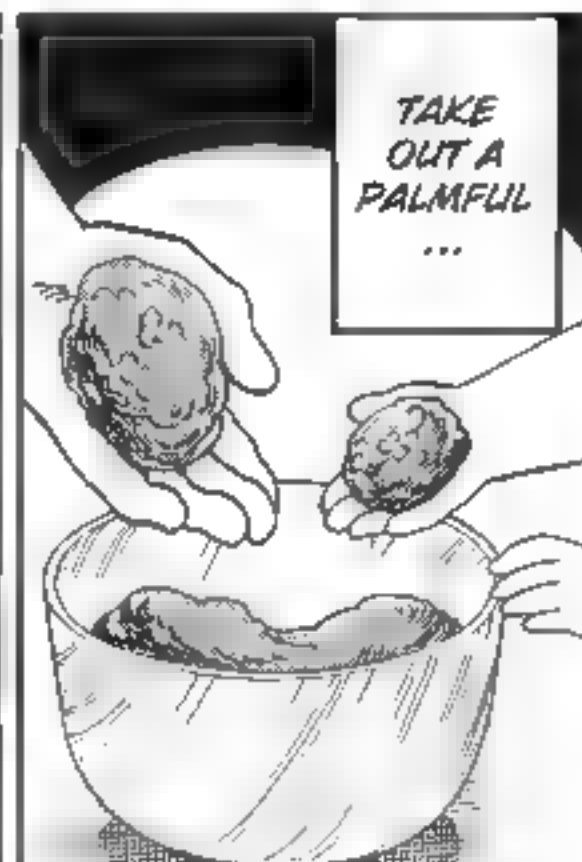


DENT THE CENTERS SLIGHTLY, THEN HEAT IN A FRYING PAN.

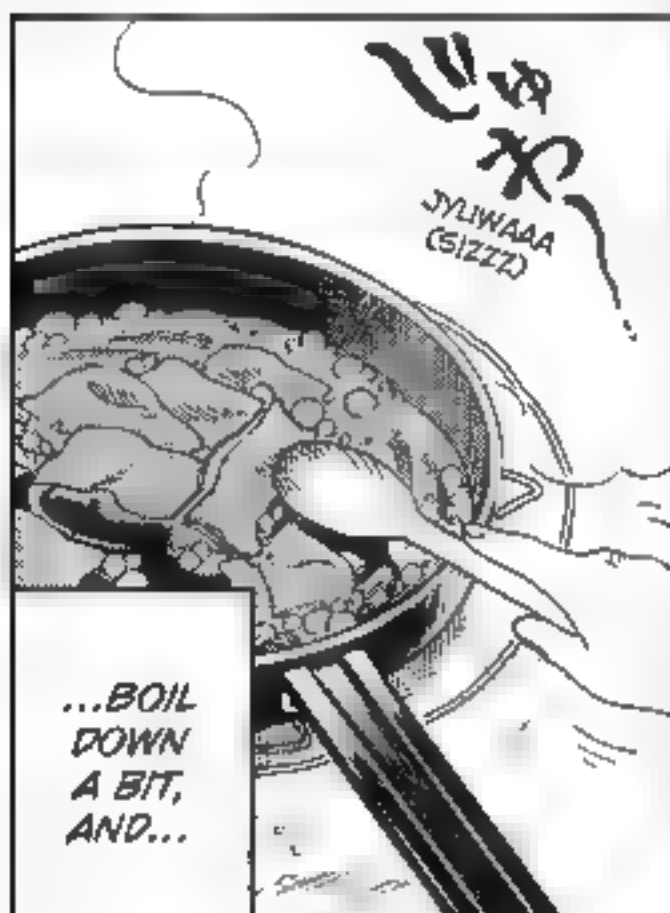
ONCE THEY'RE COOKED THROUGH...



...AND SHAPE IT, STRIKING THE AIR OUT.



TAKE OUT A PALMFUL ...



...BOIL DOWN A BIT, AND...



REMOVE THE MEAT, MIX MARCILLE'S MEDICINE AND SEASONINGS WITH THE REMAINING MEAT JUICES...







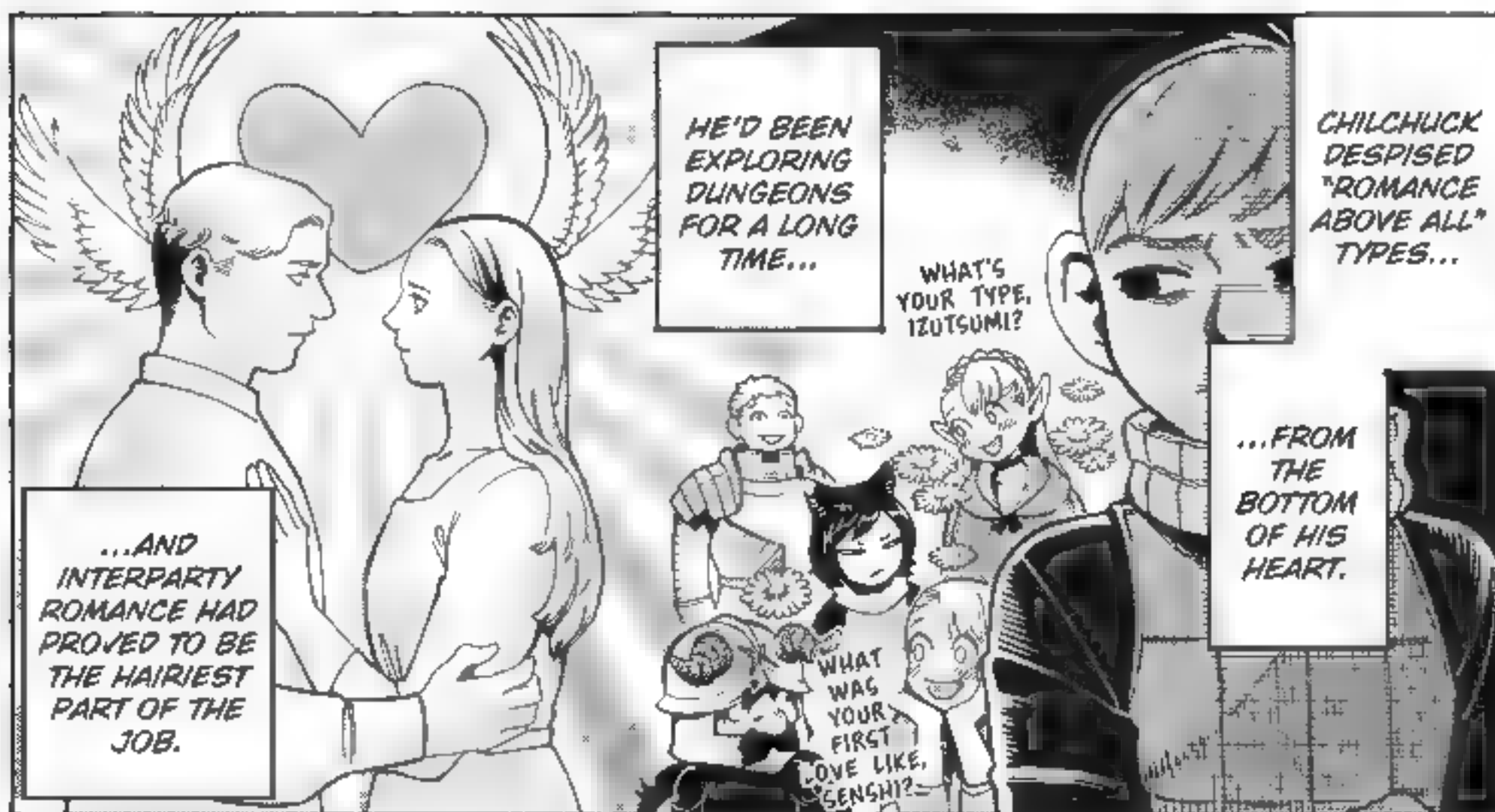












## 56. BICORN

ROYAL GRAVE  
SEN

THE GOLDEN CITY  
MARCILLE

CITY C  
NAM

S-sorry to keep you waiting...

BURST OUT  
LAUGHING.

TELL HER  
SHE'S PRETTY

If you're free, let's go grab a drink.

AGREE.

REFUSE.

FLOOR 5  
MURDER

SAY  
NOTHING

I DON'T  
WANT TO LOSE  
YOU GUYS

FLOOR 3  
FALIN

But kuro—!!

STOP HER

I'll recover you. Hold out your hand

HOLD  
IT OUT.

SQUEEZE  
HER HAND.

Why not just be honest?

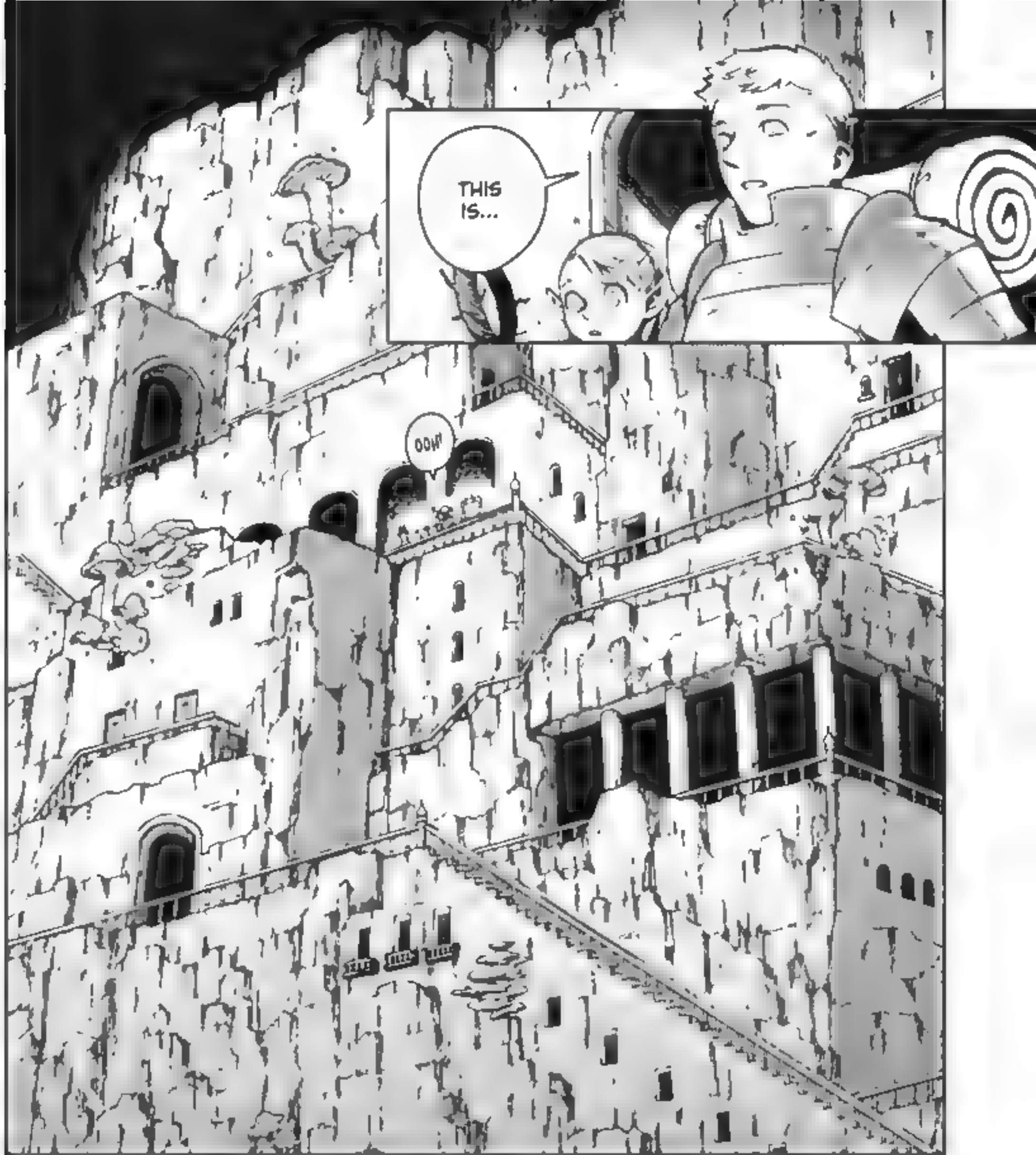
FLY INTO  
A RAGE.

NOTHING

We buy it together!

STOP THEM

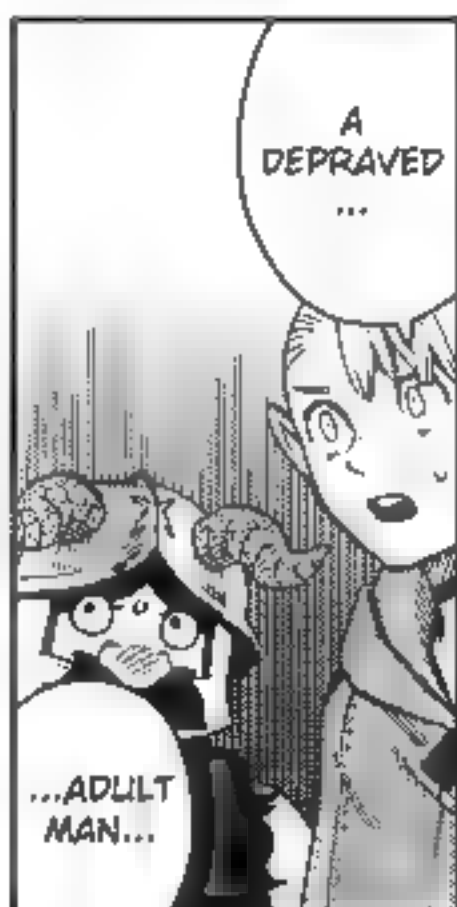
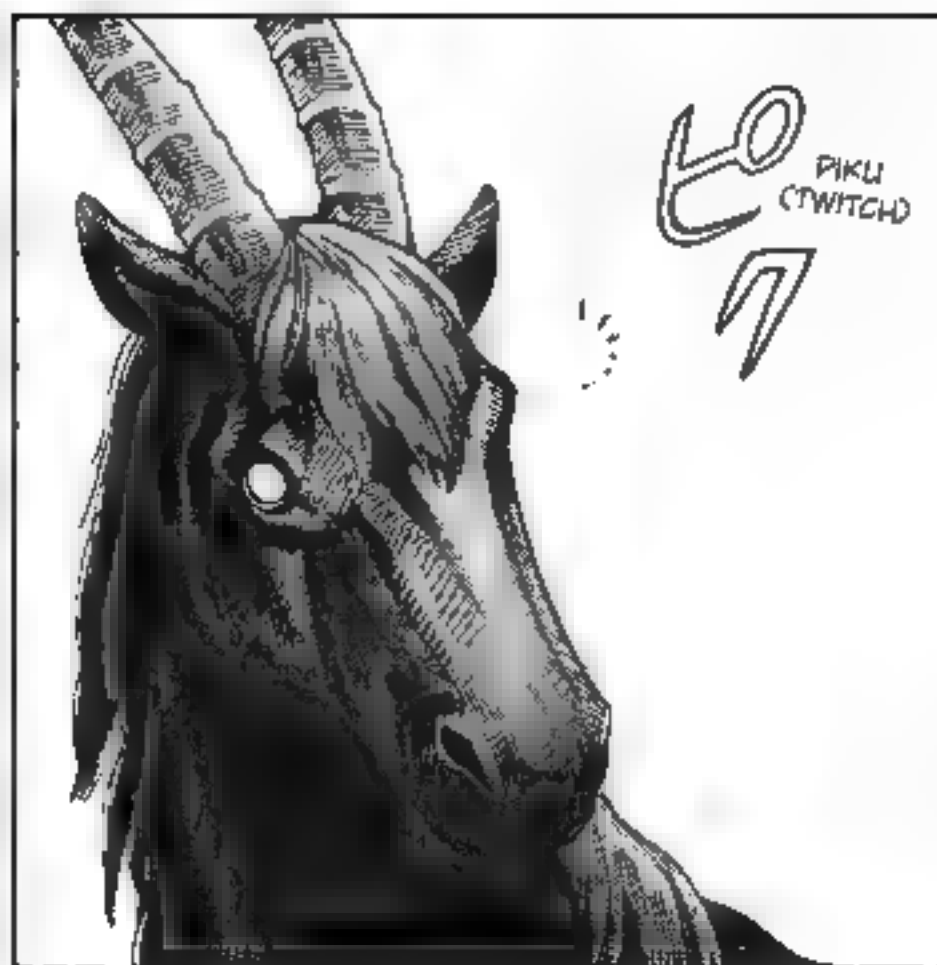
LET THEM  
DO WHAT THEY  
WANT



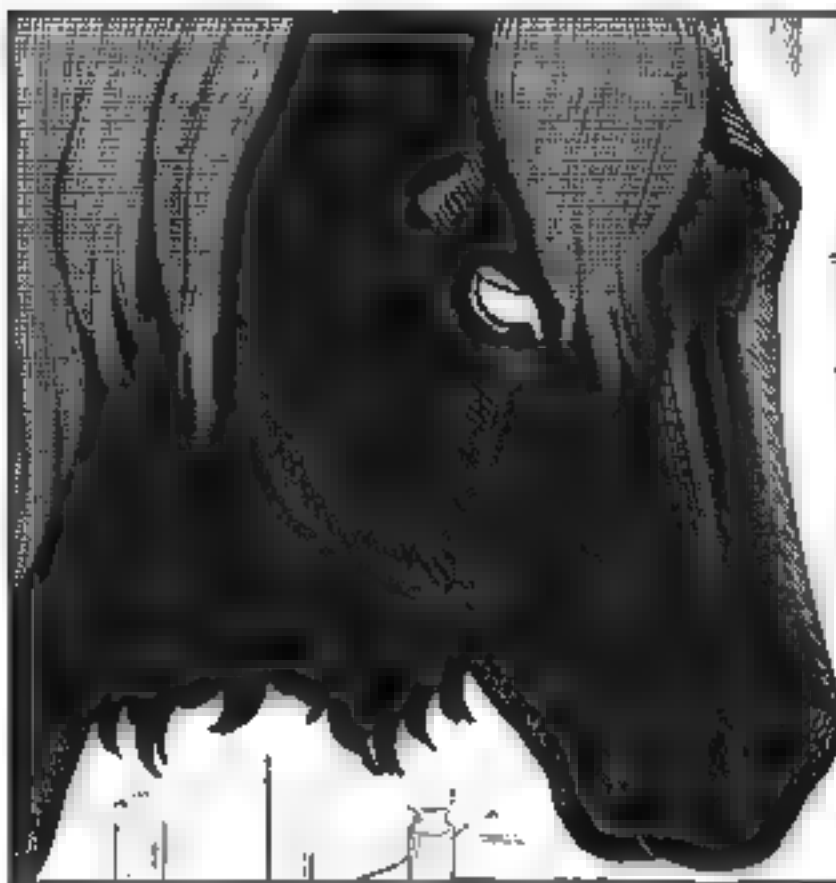


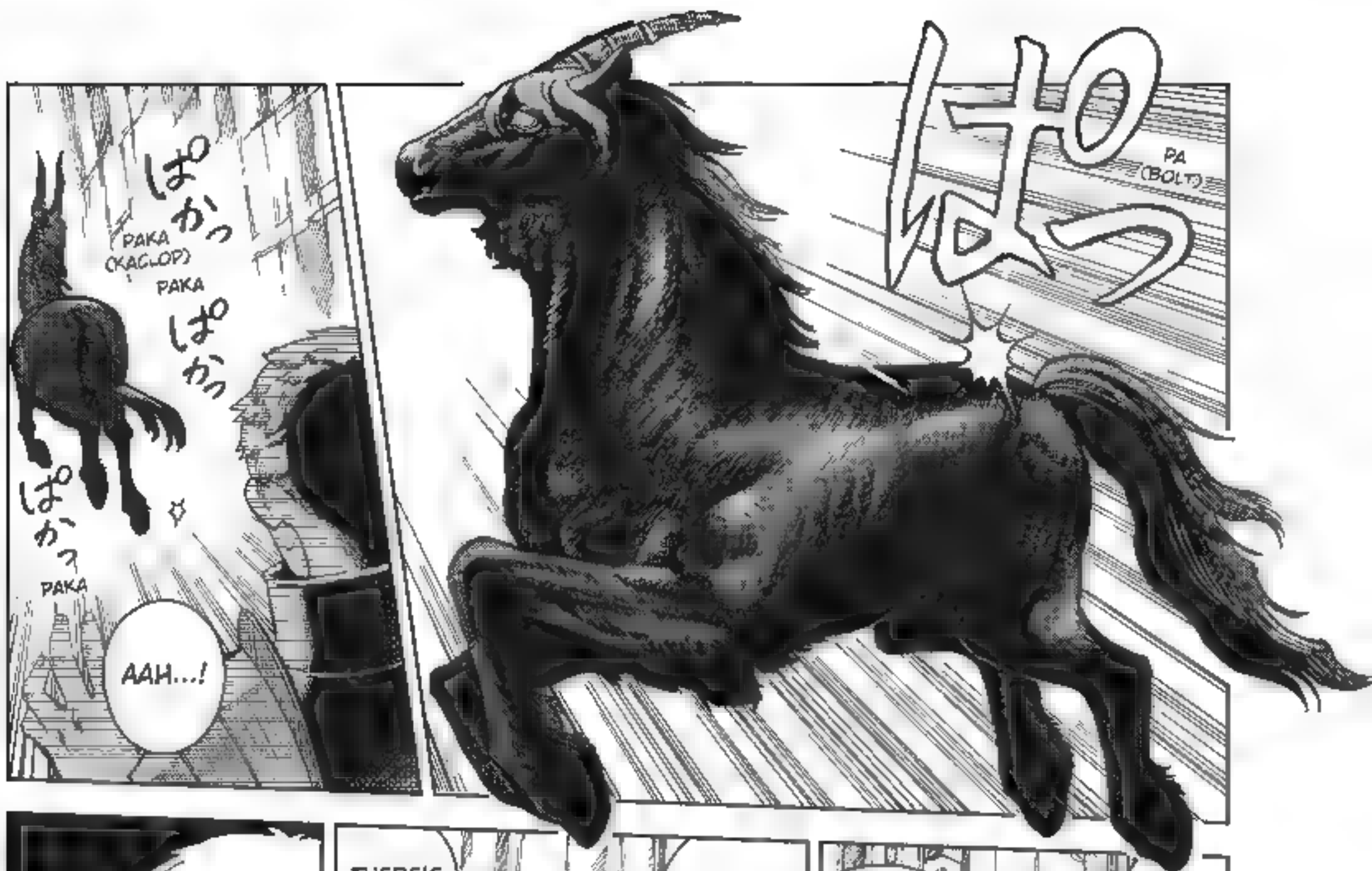










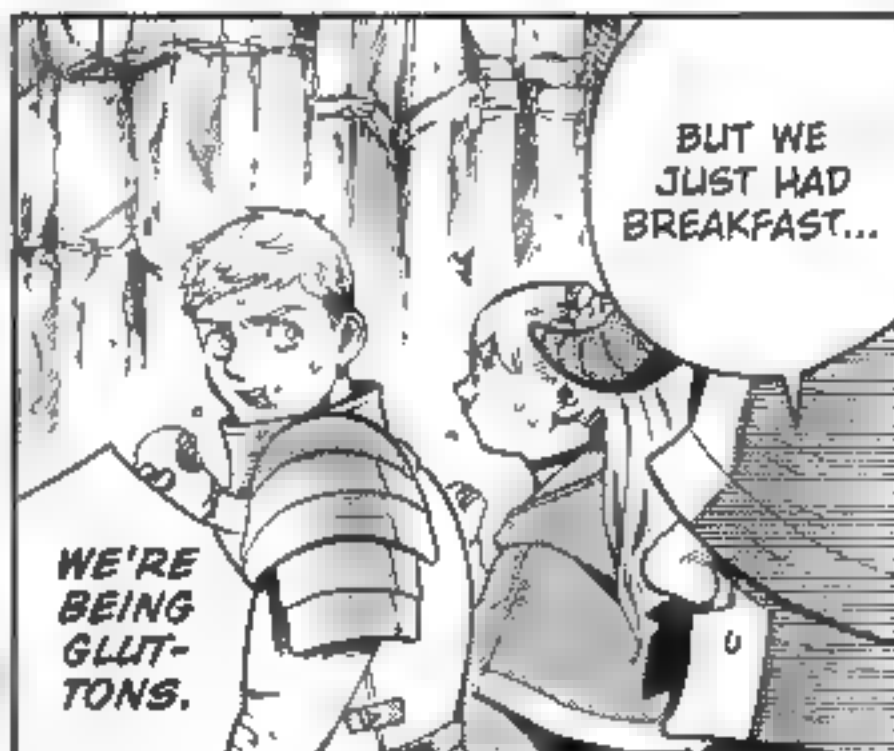
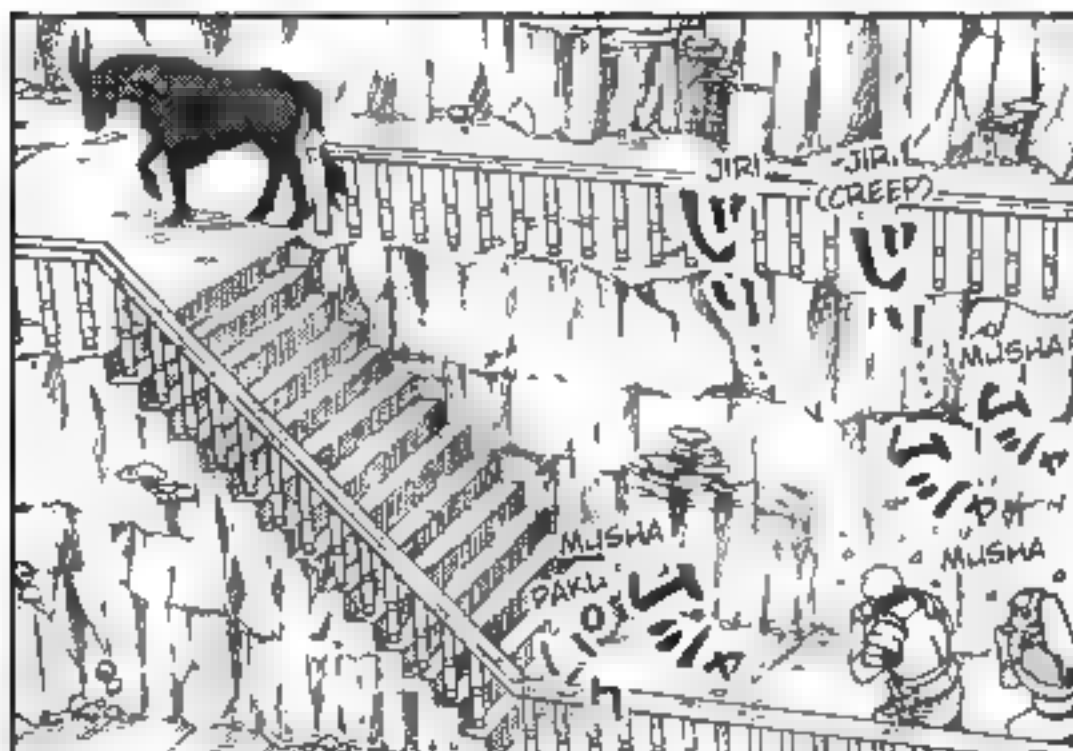
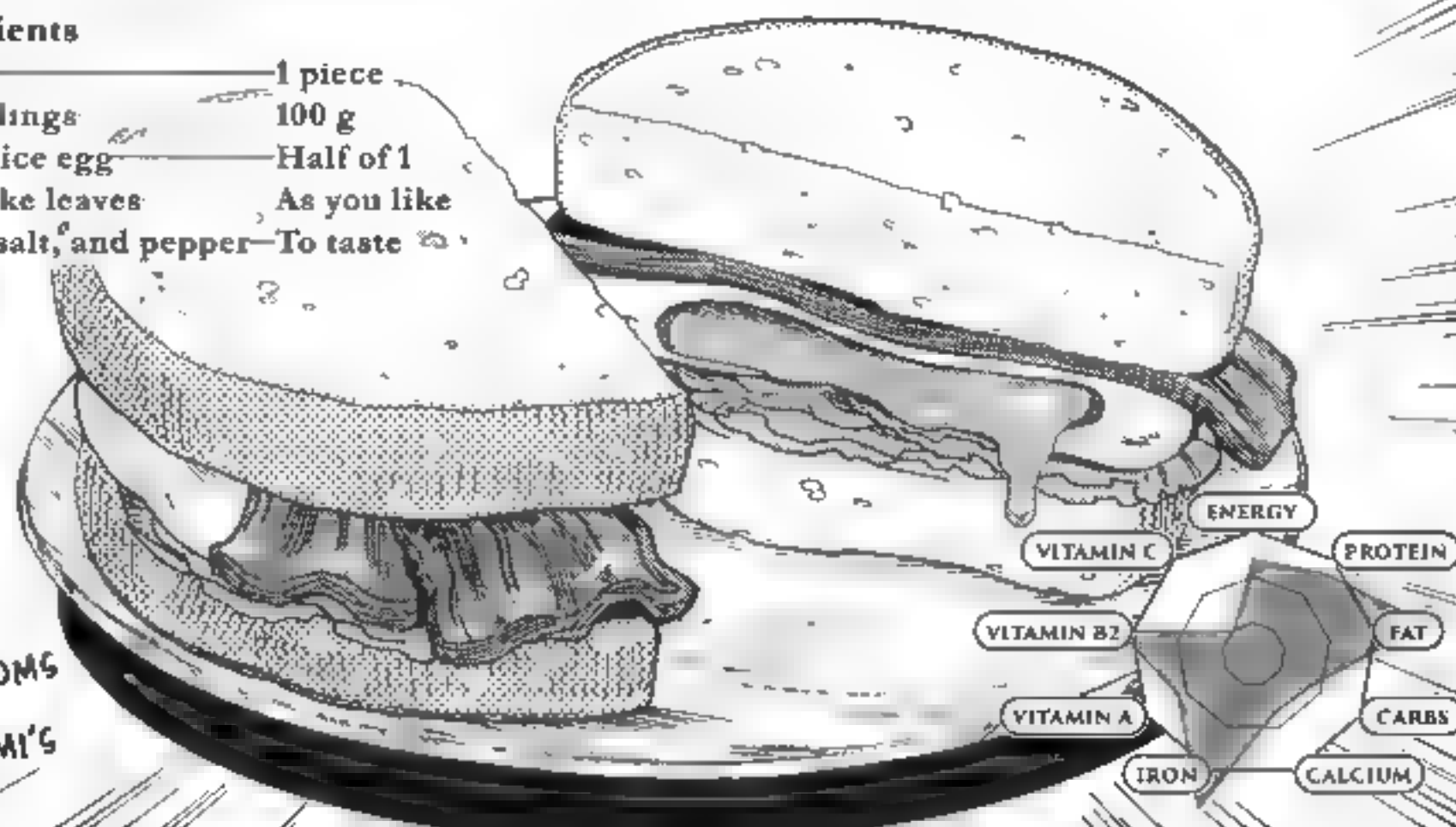


## CRISPY MUSHROOM AND EGG SANDWICH

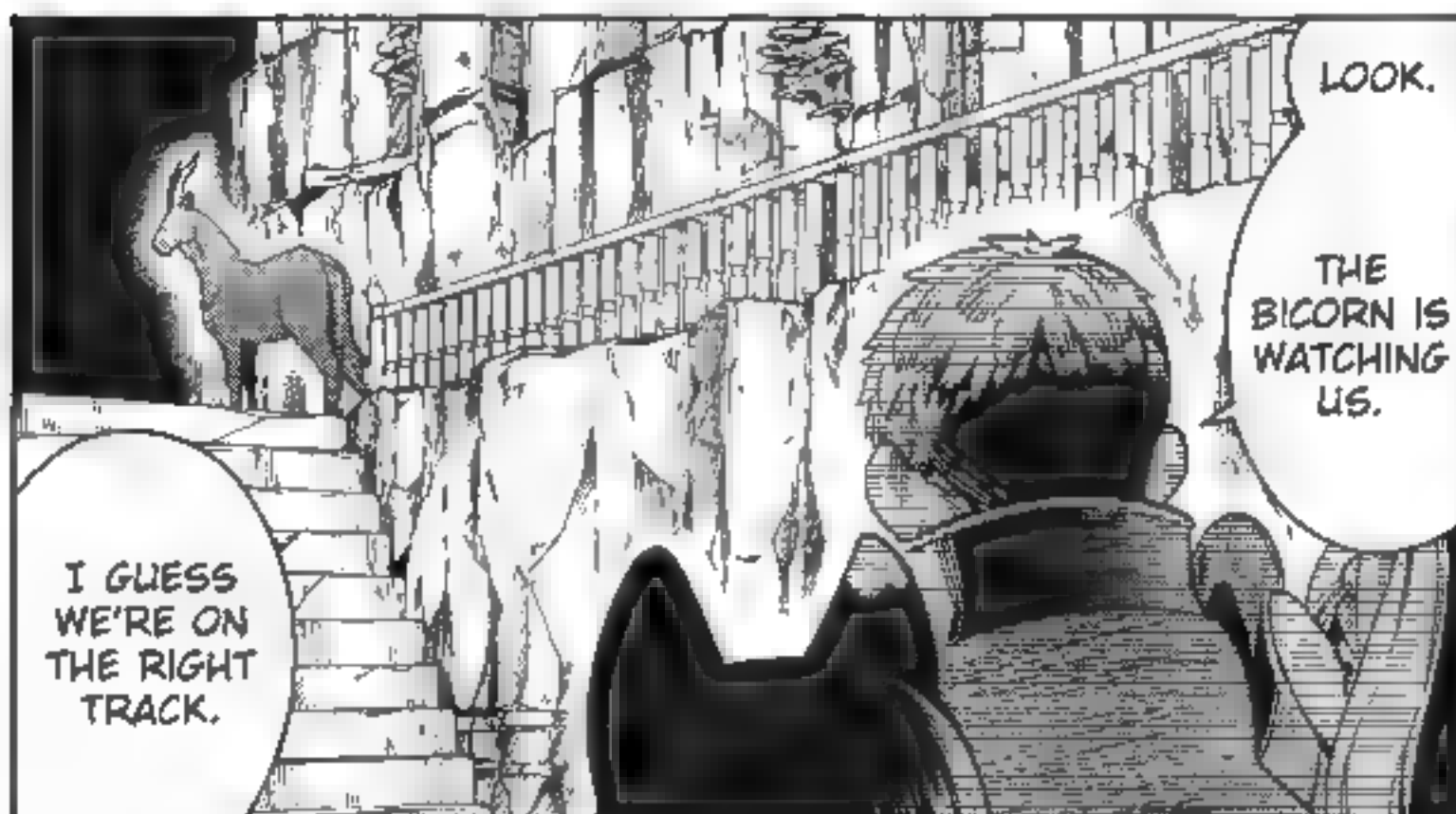
### Ingredients

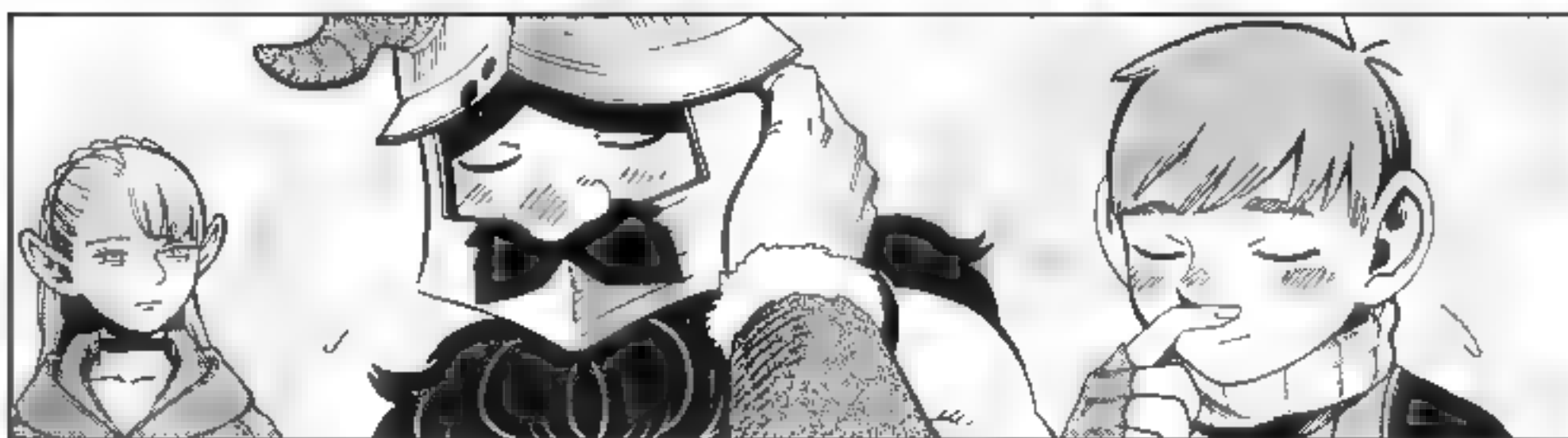
Bread	1 piece
Changelings	100 g
Cockatrice egg	Half of 1
Mandrake leaves	As you like
Butter, salt, and pepper	To taste

NO  
MUSHROOMS  
ON  
IZUTSUMI'S















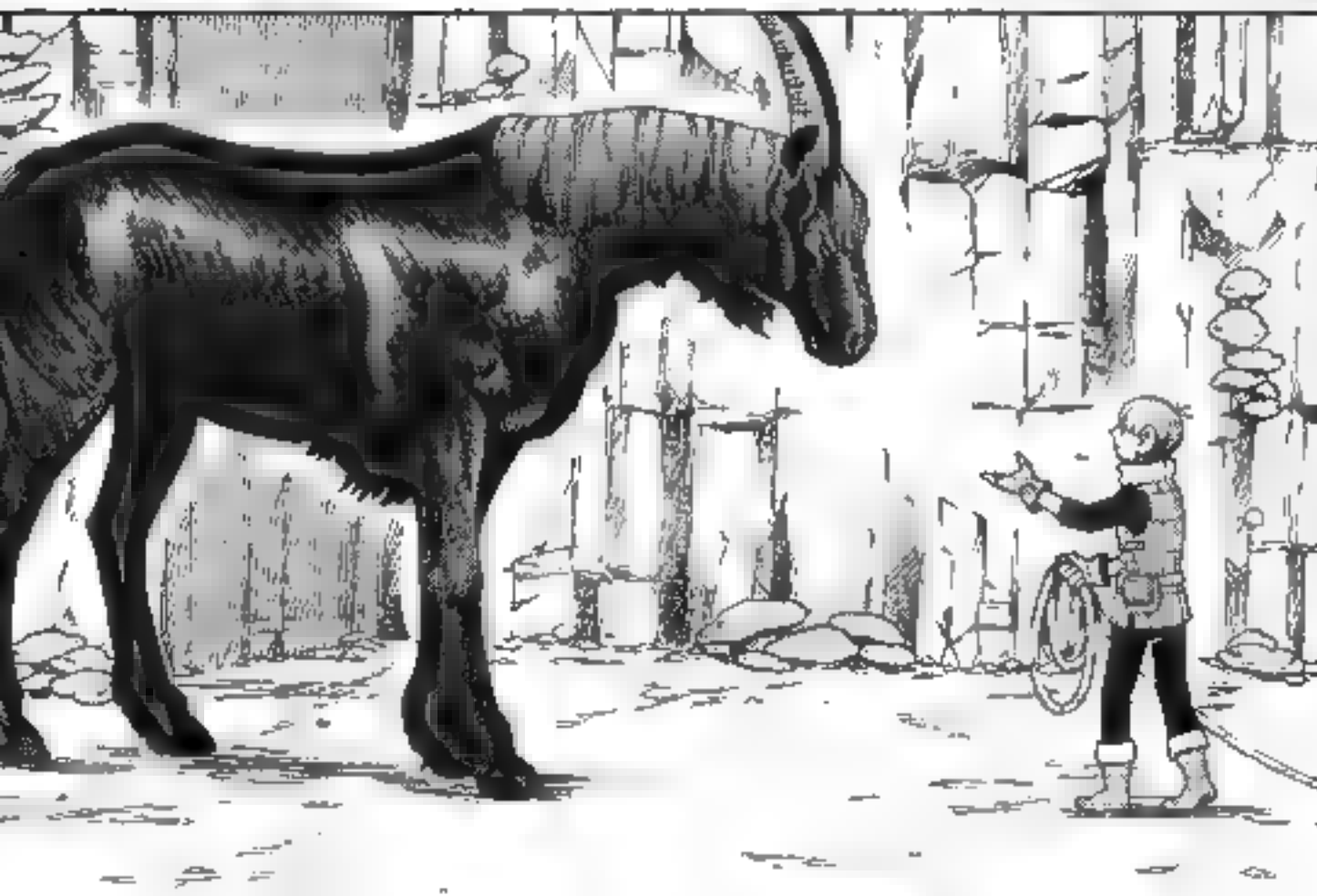




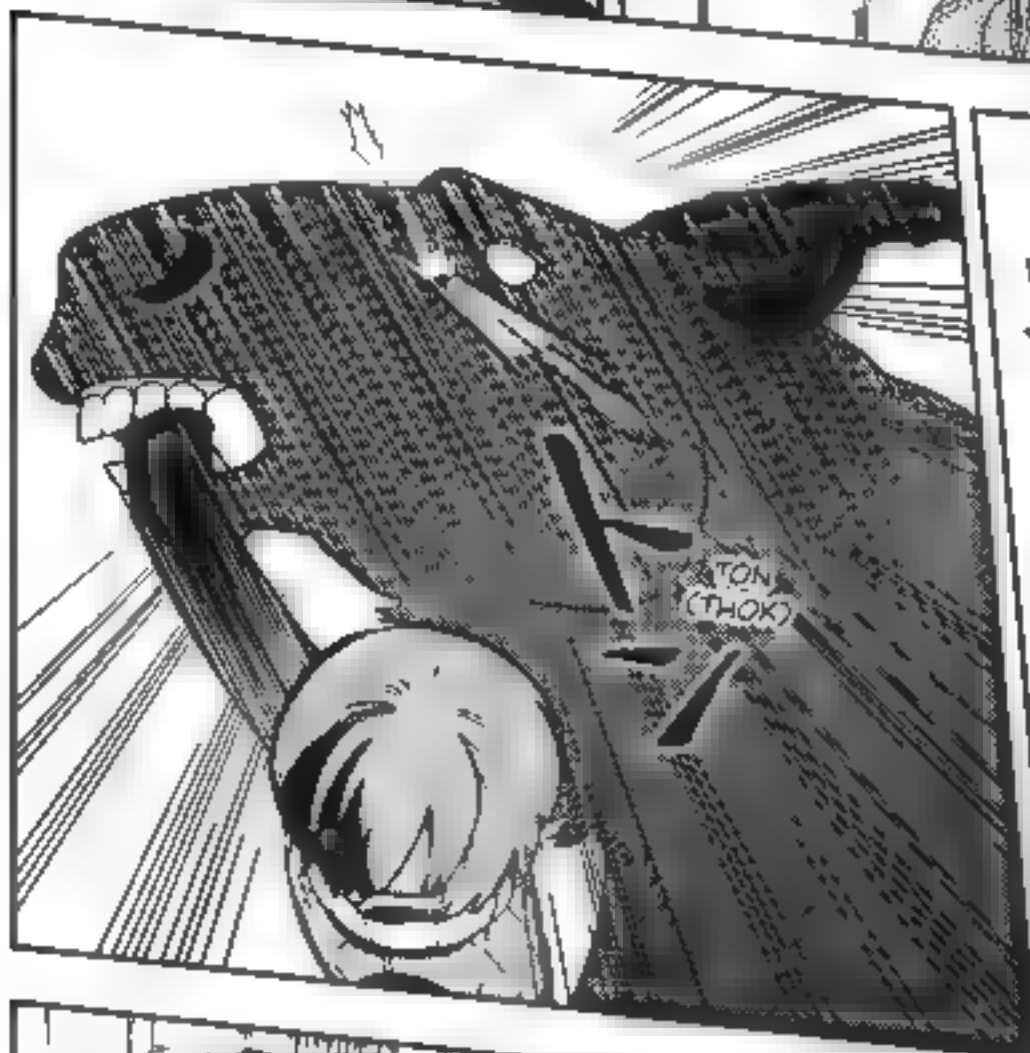




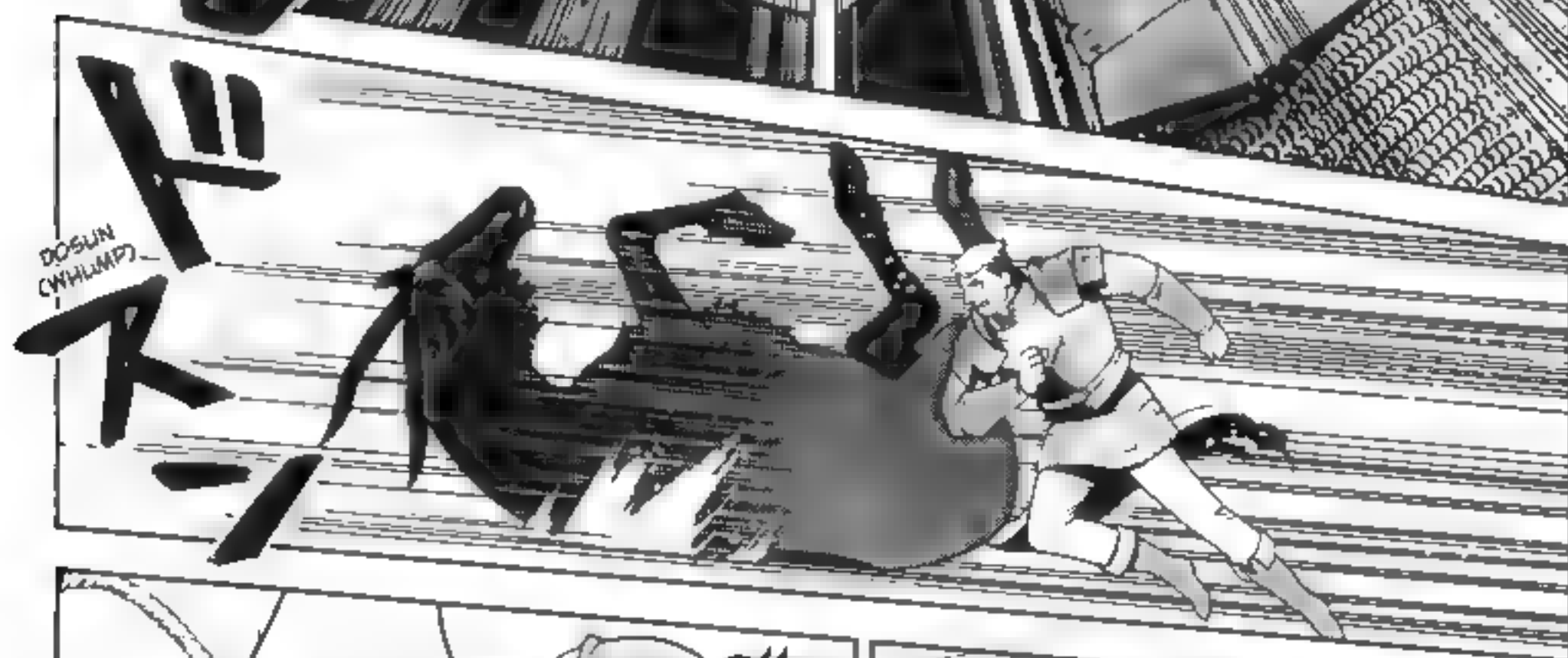
SFX: PIKU (TWITCH) PIKU



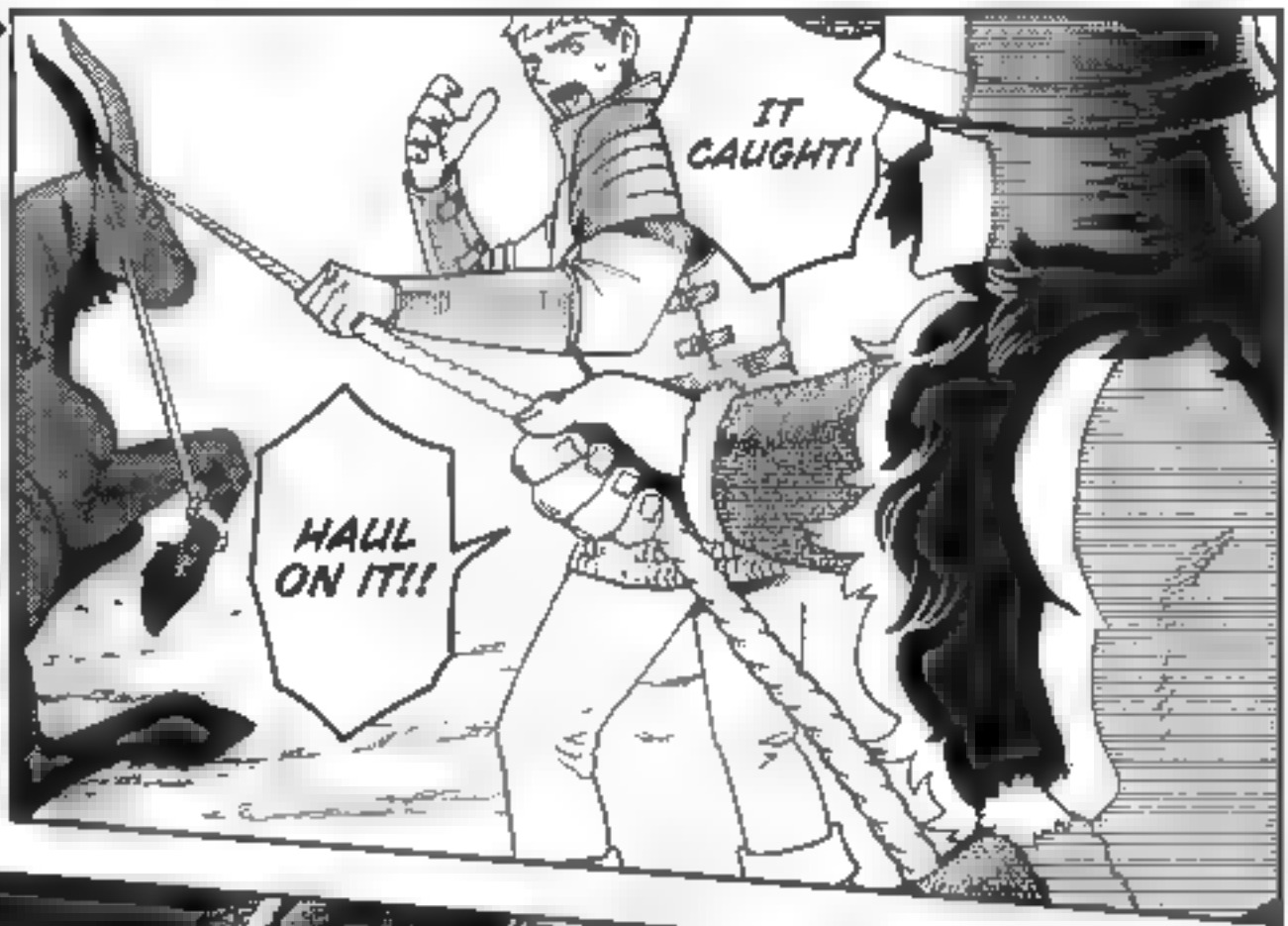
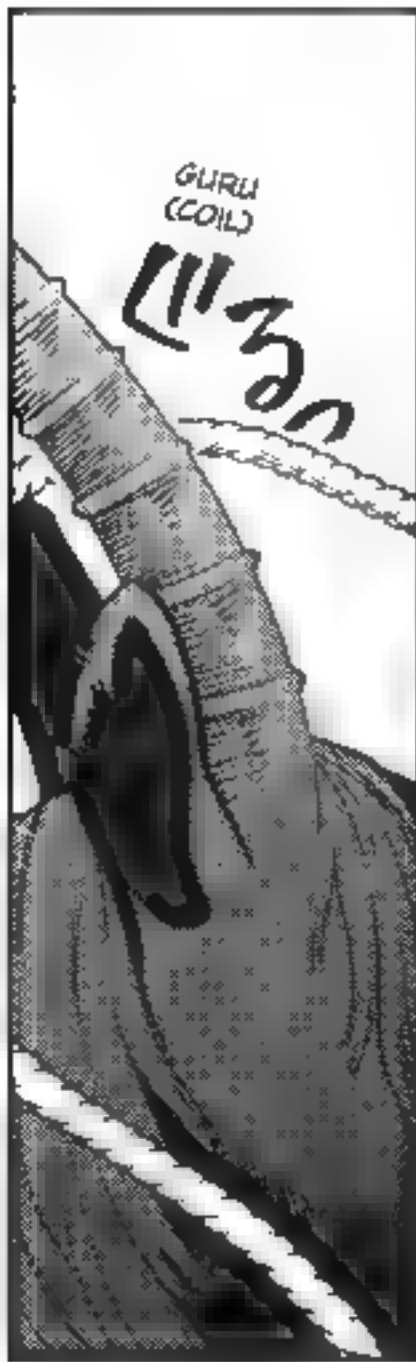


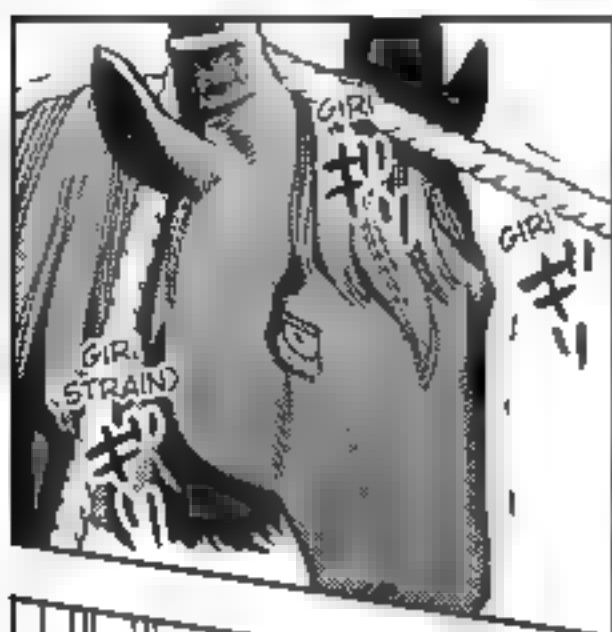
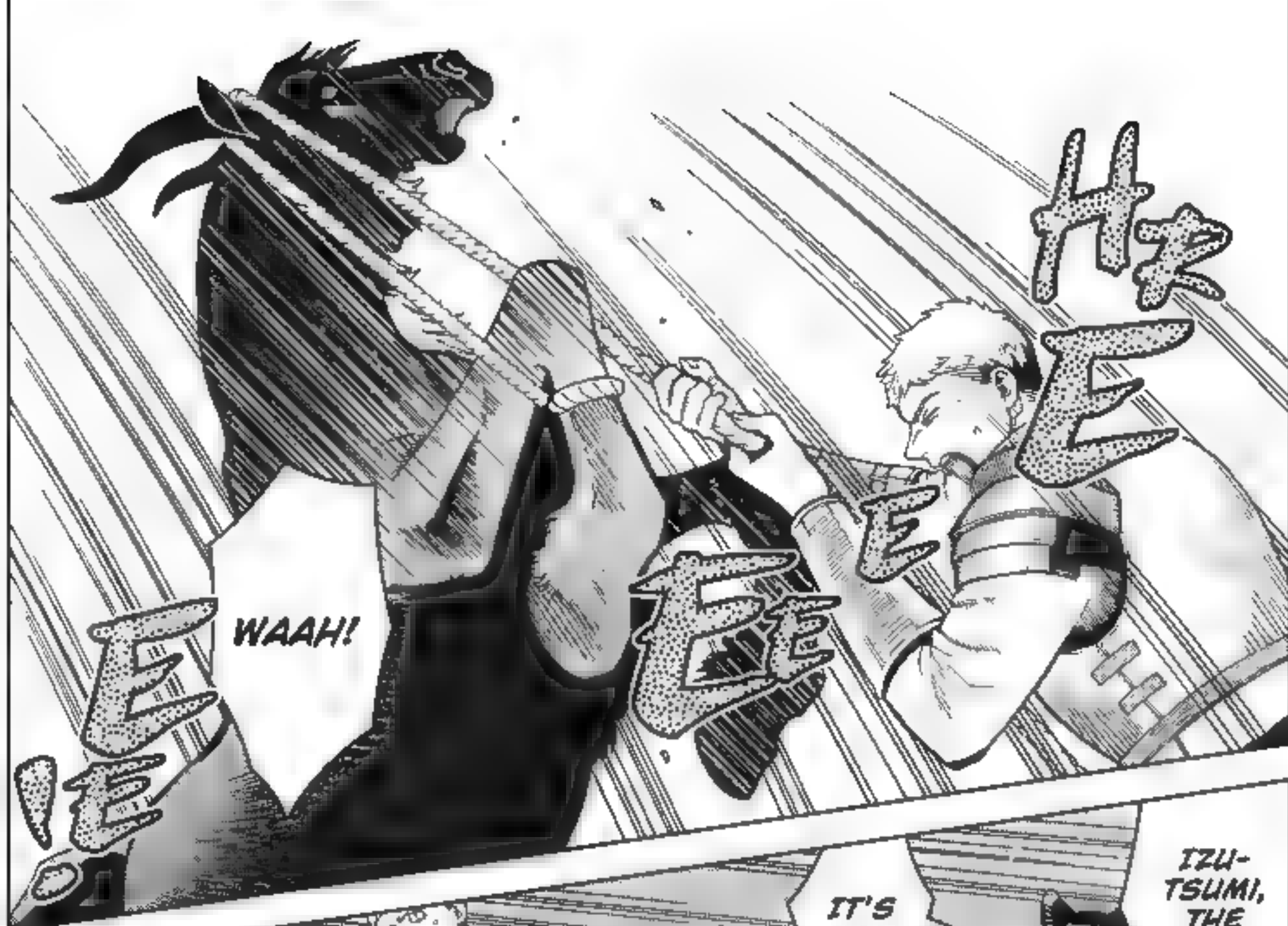




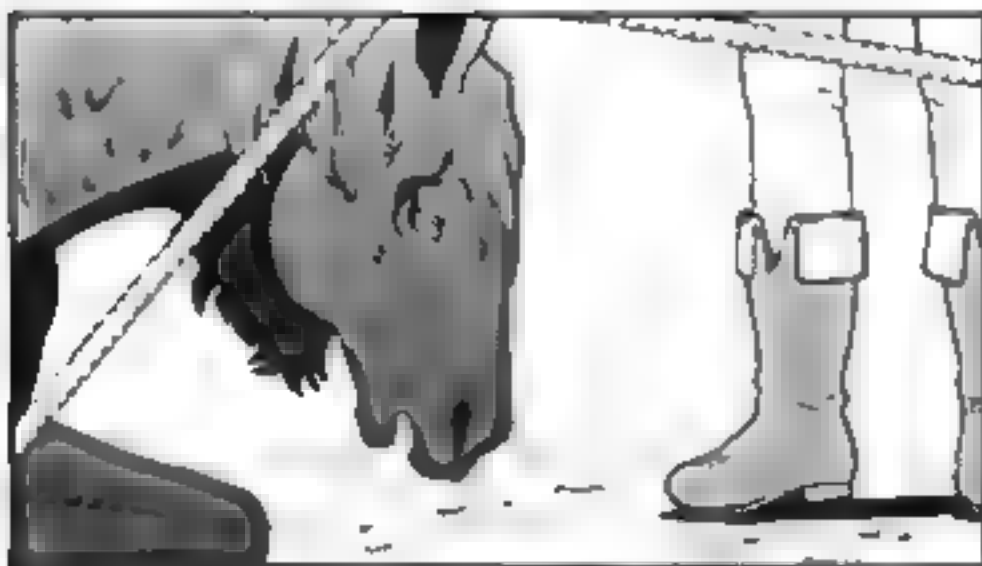


BA  
(FLING)







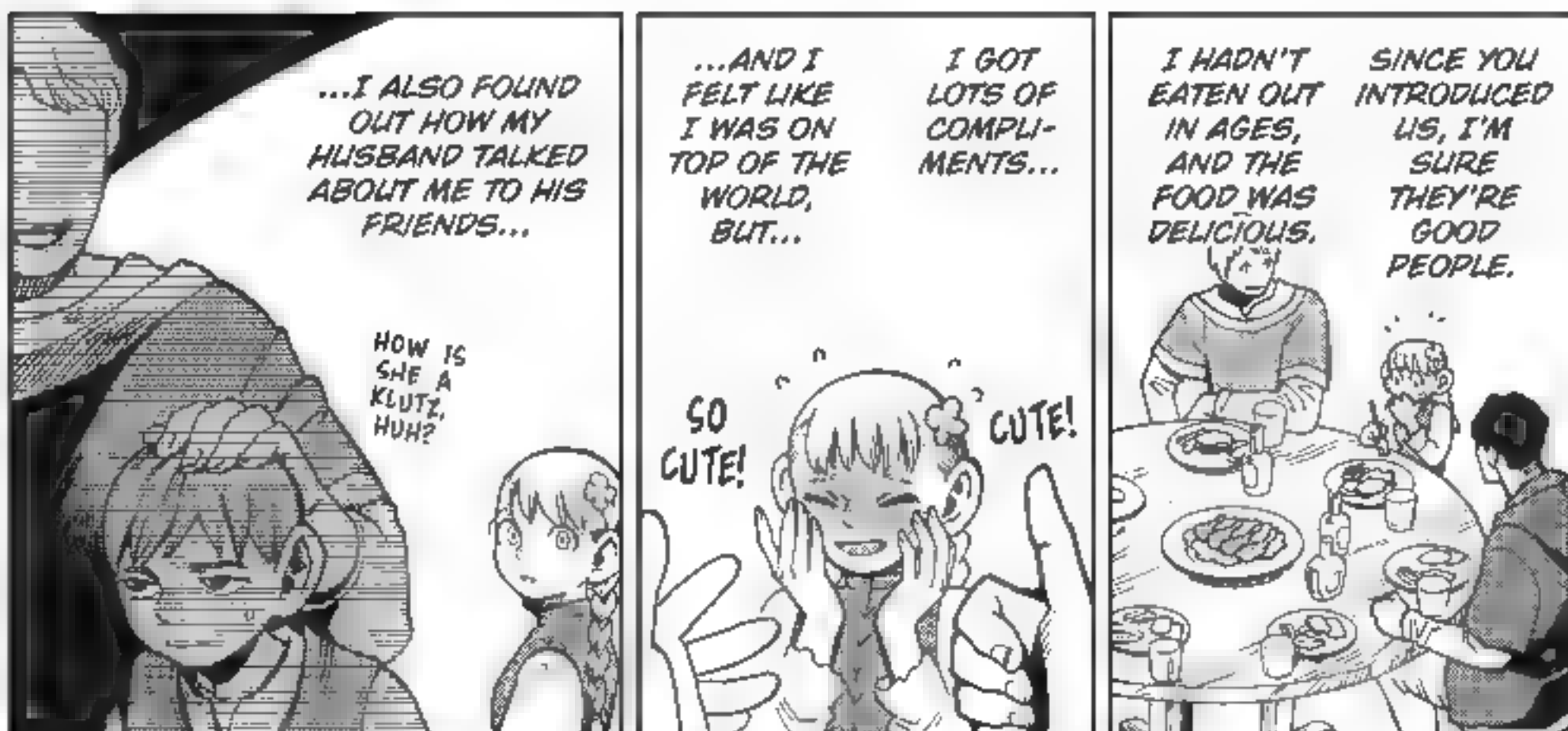












...I ALSO FOUND OUT HOW MY HUSBAND TALKED ABOUT ME TO HIS FRIENDS...

HOW IS SHE A KLUTZ, HUH?

...AND I FELT LIKE I WAS ON TOP OF THE WORLD, BUT...

I GOT LOTS OF COMPLIMENTS...

SO CUTE!

CUTE!

I HADN'T EATEN OUT IN AGES, AND THE FOOD WAS DELICIOUS.

SINCE YOU INTRODUCED US, I'M SURE THEY'RE GOOD PEOPLE.



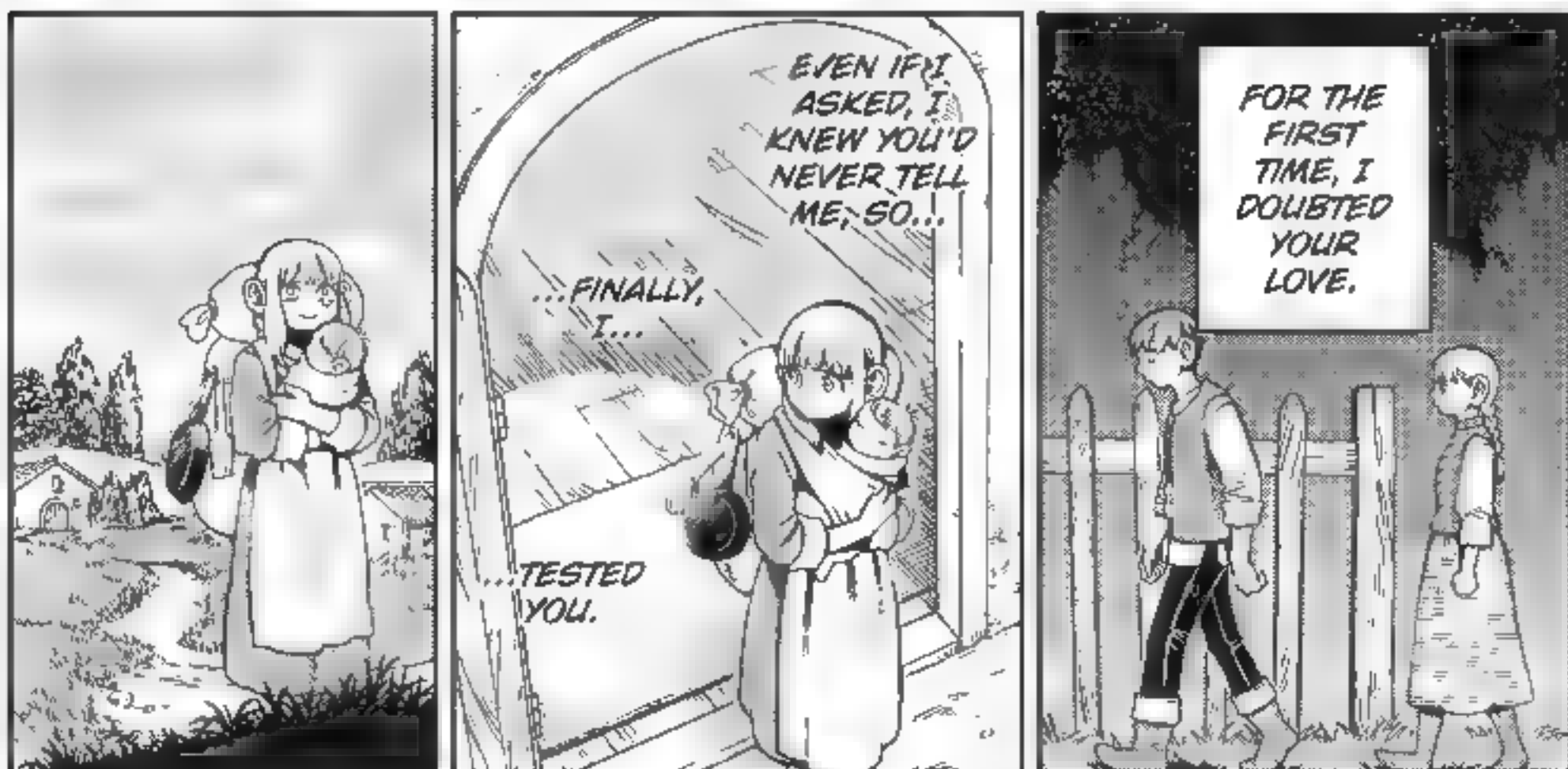
...I FELT LIKE I WAS TOO BORING FOR YOU.

...OR SMILING COMPANIONABLY WITH A PRETTY LADY FROM YOUR PARTY...

...WHEN I SAW YOU CHATTING WITH YOUR FRIENDS AFTER A FEW DRINKS...

CHILCHUCK IS BASHFUL, SO NO MATTER HOW MUCH HE LOVED ME, HE'D NEVER TELL ME SO.

I UNDERSTOOD THAT, BUT... ON THAT DAY...



EVEN IF I ASKED, I KNEW YOU'D NEVER TELL ME, SO...

...FINALLY, I...

...TESTED YOU.

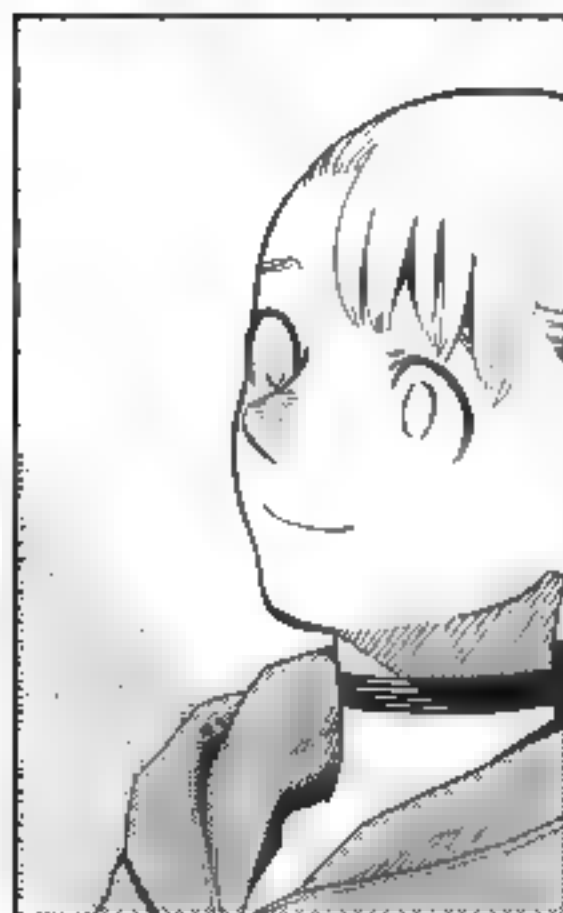
FOR THE FIRST TIME, I DOUBTED YOUR LOVE.



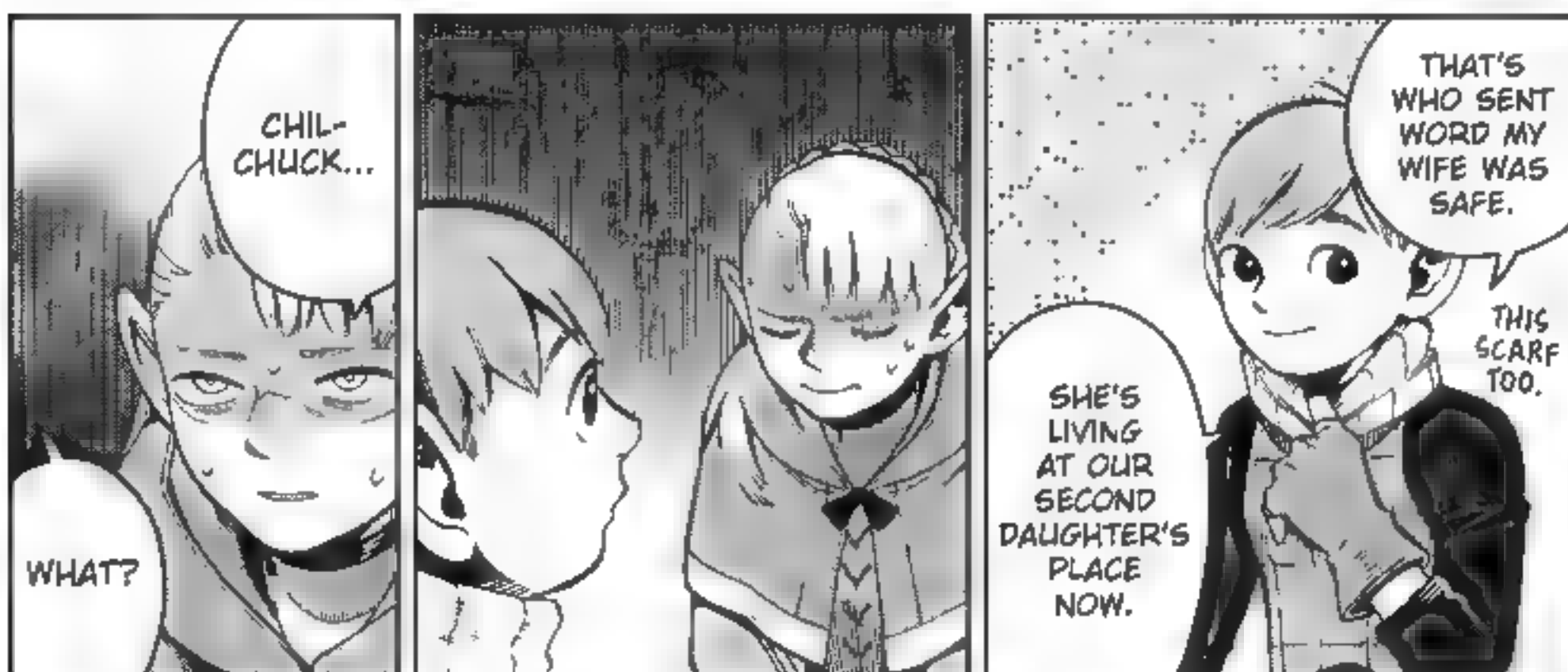




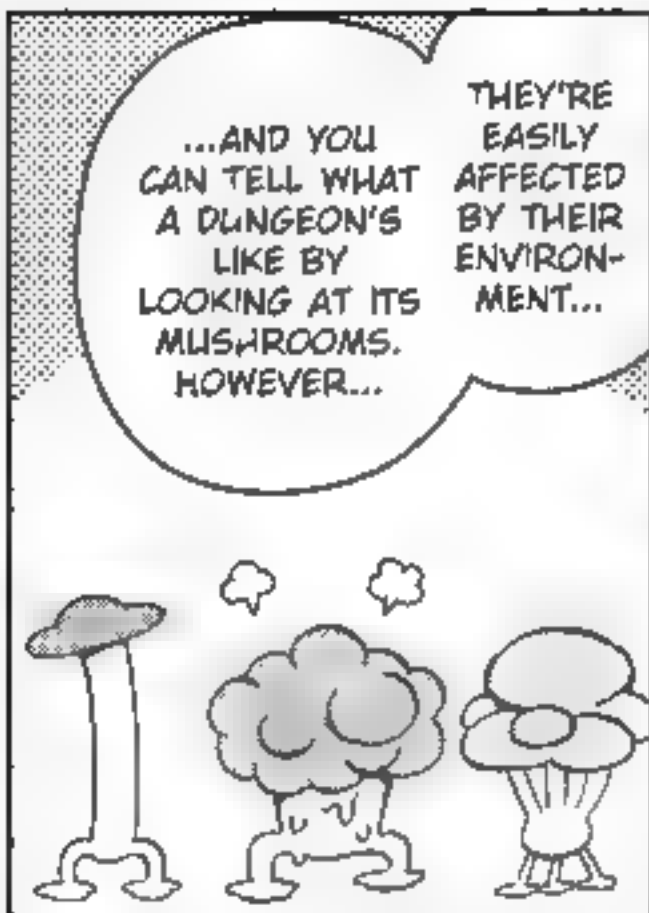








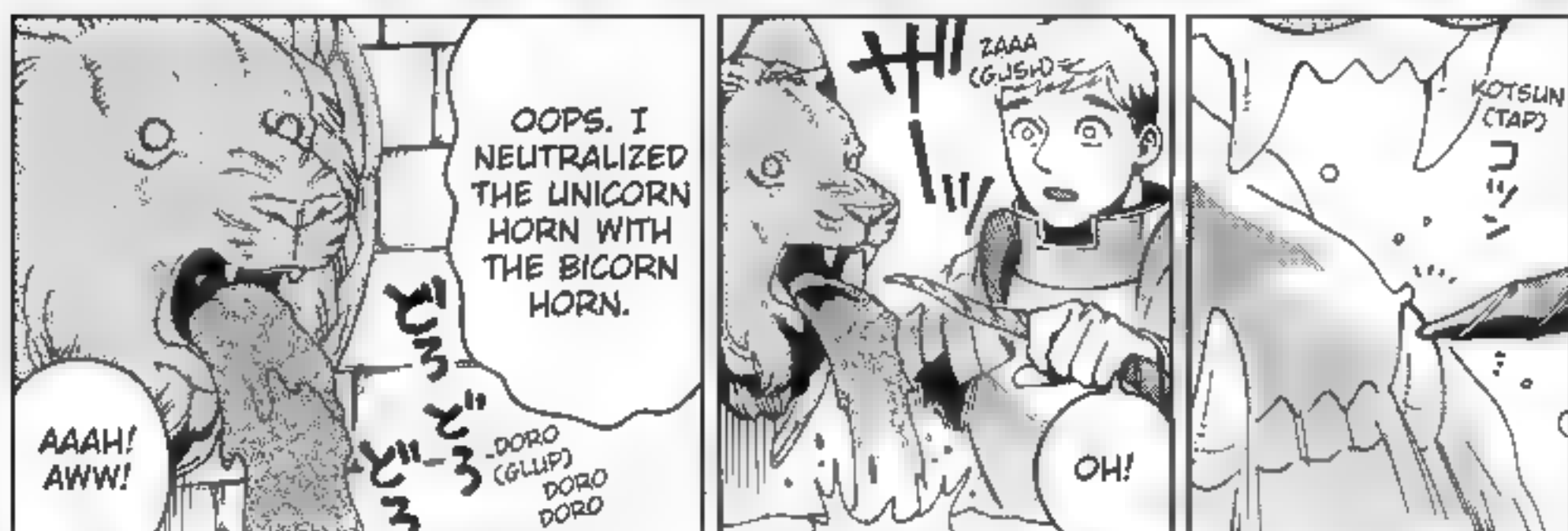
*To be continued.*



SFX: ZUMOMOMOMOMO (LOOM)









TALL-MEN  
HAVE NOTHING  
THAT SETS  
THEM APART.  
THEY'RE  
BORING.

I HATE  
IT!!

YOUR  
CURRENT  
FORM  
SUITS YOU  
BEST.



I WISH  
I COULD  
HAVE  
BEEN A  
TROLL...



TROLL



OTHERS  
ARE A  
LITTLE  
DIM...

OTHERS  
ARE  
GREEDY  
AND LAY  
WASTE TO  
THINGS.

WELL,  
YOU'RE  
NOT  
WRONG.

SOME ARE  
HUGE AND  
MON-  
STROUSLY  
STRONG.



ON THE  
OTHER HAND,  
TROLLS  
APPEAR IN  
ALL SORTS  
OF STORIES  
FROM ALL  
TIMES AND  
PLACES...

...BUT  
THEY ALL  
LOOK  
SUBTLY  
DIFFERENT.  
THEY'RE  
RICHLY  
VARIED.



DWAH-HA-  
HA! OKAY,  
OKAY.

I'LL  
TELL  
YOU.



REALLY!?  
WHAT  
SORT OF  
CREATURE  
WAS IT!?

WELL, IT  
WAS JUST  
LIKE THE  
RUMORS  
SAY...

CHIL-  
CHUCK!



HUH?  
CHILCHUCK,  
YOU'VE  
SEEN A  
TROLL?

...YEAH.





THEY WERE TOLD ALL OVER, THEN SPREAD TO OTHER PLACES.

THEY'RE STORIES WE MADE UP TO KEEP KIDS OUT OF DANGER...

...BACK WHEN THE RACES DIDN'T INTERACT MUCH.



"TROLL" WAS ORIGINALLY ONE OF OUR WORDS—AND IT REFERS TO YOU TALL-MEN!



A TROLL PROBABLY ATE THEM.

YOUR SNACKS ARE GONE?

DO WHAT YOUR PARENTS SAY, OR A TROLL WILL KIDNAP YOU.

HURRY UP AND SLEEP, OR THE TROLL WILL COME!

I USED THEM WHEN MY DAUGHTERS WERE LITTLE TOO.



TOULL...

TROLL !?

TALL...

TALL-MAN...

THAT TAKES ME BACK.



NOT TO US, ANYWAY—WE'RE WAY MORE MEDIOCRE THAN YOU.

RELAX.

YOU PEOPLE AREN'T HALF AS BLAND AS YOU THINK YOU ARE.





## TRANSLATION NOTES

**Page 32**

In Japan, having a “cat’s tongue” means you’re extra-sensitive to the temperature of your food and have a hard time eating or drinking hot things. The phrase isn’t usually applied to actual cats.

**Page 41**

The *mushkhushshu* is a creature from Mesopotamian mythology said to have scales, hind legs like an eagle’s, the forelimbs of a lion, a long neck and tail, horns, a snake-like tongue, and a crest. Images of this beast adorn the reconstructed Ishtar Gate, a famous entryway in the ancient city of Babylon.

**Page 59**

The gargoyle’s transformation is a send-up of the famous *Manneken Pis* statue in Brussels, Belgium. The current statue was put in place in 1618 or 1619 (original installation is unknown) and actually was intended to produce potable water for public consumption.

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*IN DUNGEON*? DON'T  
MISS *SEVEN LITTLE*  
*SONS OF THE DRAGON*,  
AUTHOR RYOKO KUI'S  
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SEVEN SHORT STORIES!  
HEARTWARMING TALES  
OF DRAGONS, MERMAIDS,  
GODS, AND LITTLE ONES  
AWAIT IN THIS MAGICAL  
WORLD!**

**IN STORES  
NOW!**

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